ADVANCING THE ROLE OF THE PHARMACIST THROUGH EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND COLLABORATION

By 2050, almost half of our population will be at least 65 years old. With the greying demographic, major shifts in healthcare delivery have to occur rapidly to ensure that Singaporeans have ready access to affordable and good quality care. As the nation’s only provider of Pharmacy education, it is the mission and goal of NUS Pharmacy to lead transformative changes to support Singapore’s healthcare needs.

At this talk, you will gain a deeper appreciation of the latest developments in pharmacy education, research and practice and how these innovative changes will impact and benefit our society at large.

Associate Professor Lita Chew will share her insights on the national Pharmacy Strategy to transform pharmacy services across Singapore over the next 10 years to become accessible, affordable and of good quality. She will explain how the transformation has already begun in NUS with enhancement in our pharmacy education.

Associate Professor Alexandre Chan will highlight how pharmacists are already making their mark in our healthcare settings through research and collaborations within and beyond the pharmacy profession to provide holistic care for our patients.

Ms Joyce Lim will share her insights on how the pharmaceutical industry is collaborating with the Department of Pharmacy to support training and education and how private and public partnerships are leading to transformations in pharmacy services across Singapore over the next 10 years to become more accessible, affordable and of good quality. She will explain how the transformation has already begun in NUS with enhancement in our pharmacy education.

About the Speakers

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR LITA CHEW
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Lita is the Head of Pharmacy Department at the National Cancer Centre Singapore and serves as the program director for the national PhD in Pharmacy. She has also co-authored a chapter in the book “Executive for NUS' PhD in PharmD Program” and has published over 150 full-length peer-reviewed manuscripts in a wide array of cancer supportive care and symptom management topics. She is an endowed Fellow of American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP), work she is currently serving as the President-Elect for International Society of Pharmaceutical Practitioners (ISOPP). She was also a recipient of the Steven M. Swenson Award for Academic Excellence and was also a Past-President of the Multinational Association of Supportive Care in Cancer (MASCC) in 2015.

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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR RACHEL EE
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