ANNEX 2: BIOGRAPHY OF ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR CHONG YAP SENG

Associate Professor Chong Yap Seng
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Associate Professor Chong Yap Seng is a clinician-investigator with special interest in fetal growth and early development. He is the Executive Director of the Singapore Institute for Clinical Sciences, Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) and an Associate Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, National University of Singapore (NUS). He is also the Lead Principal Investigator of the National Medical Research Council Translational and Clinical Research Flagship Programme on Developmental Origins of Health & Disease, and the founding Director of the A*STAR-NUS Singapore Centre for Nutritional Sciences, Metabolic Diseases, and Human Development.

His other research interests include strategies to promote breastfeeding, the genetic epidemiology of pregnancy-related disorders, and intrapartum and postpartum management issues. He has over 250 research publications, including papers in The Lancet, JAMA, and BMJ, and received more than S$100 million in research grant funding to date. He also has numerous collaborations with industry, particularly in the area of early human development and nutrition. He was awarded the National Outstanding Clinician Scientist Award by the Ministry of Health in 2017.

In his administrative role, Assoc Prof Chong is the Vice Dean (Academic Medicine) of NUS Medicine in which he supports the School in the strategic recruitment of top faculty, development of research collaborations within the university and its external partners, as well as the promotion of academic medicine. He led the School's Medical Education Unit from 2004 to 2014 and his contributions to medical education have been recognised by university and national awards.

Assoc Prof Chong is a Senior Consultant in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, National University Hospital (NUH). As the Consultant in charge of the Delivery Suite in NUH from 2001 to 2014, he balances interests in high-risk obstetrics with natural childbirth and breastfeeding advocacy.