

## **SUMMARY OF CV FOR DR JOHN CHEN LI TAT**

Dr John L. T. Chen is currently the Director of Spine service in the Dept. of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Singapore General Hospital. He obtained his medical degree from the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland in 1985 & continued his post-graduate training in Singapore. He obtained his surgical fellowship with the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh in 1993. He continued his Orthopaedic training in spine surgery and completed a Spine Fellowship program in 1998 based at the Orthopaedic & Arthritic Hospital & The Hospital for Sick Children , with the University of Toronto, in Canada.

He is currently appointed as a Clinical Assistant Professor at the Yong Yu Lin School of Medicine, National University Hospital. He is also a panel member in advisory committees under the Ministry of Health for Table of Surgical Codes, Adjudication panel of MOH-Medishield Life Claims and Agency for Care Effectiveness (ACE) Review of Medical Technology Subsidy Framework.

He has a keen interest in adult spinal deformity & degenerative disorders of the Spine. He is passionate in advancing postgraduate training & education in Spine Surgery. He is the chair for the Lumbar Degenerative module in the Global Spine Diploma program in 2025-2026, under the auspices of AO Spine International. He has received numerous invitations as a speaker & faculty at Orthopaedic Society annual meetings & AO Spine training courses in South & South-East Asia countries including India, Nepal, Myanmar, China, Vietnam, Thailand & Philippines. He was a past member of the AO Spine International Faculty Development Task Force & an international member of the North American Spine Society & Academy of American Orthopaedic Surgeons. He was the lead for the educational committee of the Singapore Spine Society & held the post of Secretary & Treasurer of the Singapore Orthopaedic Association.

In 2013 he was engaged in Spine Registry development with the International Consortium of Health Outcome Measures (ICHOM) in conjunction with Institute for Strategy & Competitiveness @ Harvard Business School, The Boston Consulting Group & Karolinska Institute Medical University. With ICHOM, he was a member of Work Group & Steering Committee on defining the Minimum Standard Set for Low Back Pain Outcomes Measurement. In 2015 he was invited as a panelist at AOSpine Consensus Study Forum on Adult Spine Deformity at Scoliosis Research Society 22nd International Meeting on Advanced Spine Techniques (IMAST) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia .

He remains an active volunteer for SingHealth & Singapore International Foundation overseas programs to promote best practices & performs spine surgery in hospital centers within the South-East Asian countries.