

## Change - Announcement of Appointment::Appointment of Medical Director

## Issuer &amp; Securities

<b>Issuer/ Manager</b>	HC SURGICAL SPECIALISTS LIMITED
<b>Securities</b>	HC SURGICAL SPECIALISTSLIMITED - SG1DC2000004 - 1B1
<b>Stapled Security</b>	No

## Announcement Details



<b>Announcement Title</b>	Change - Announcement of Appointment
<b>Date &amp; Time of Broadcast</b>	06-Jul-2017 19:11:27
<b>Status</b>	New
<b>Announcement Sub Title</b>	Appointment of Medical Director
<b>Announcement Reference</b>	SG170706OTHR7GIZ
<b>Submitted By (Co./ Ind. Name)</b>	Dr. Heah Sieu Min
<b>Designation</b>	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer
<b>Description (Please provide a detailed description of the event in the box below)</b>	<p>Appointment of Dr Chia Kok Hoong ("Dr Chia") as Medical Director.</p> <p>HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the "Company") was listed on Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") on 3 November 2016. The initial public offering of the Company was sponsored by PrimePartners Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd (the "Sponsor").</p> <p>This announcement has been prepared by the Company and its contents have been reviewed by the Sponsor, for compliance with the SGX-ST Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist. The Sponsor has not verified the contents of this announcement.</p> <p>This announcement has not been examined or approved by the SGX-ST. The Sponsor and the SGX-ST assume no responsibility for the contents of this announcement, including the accuracy, completeness or correctness of any of the information, statements or opinions made, or reports contained in this announcement.</p> <p>The contact person for the Sponsor is Ms Jennifer Tan, Senior Manager, Continuing Sponsorship, at 16 Collyer Quay, #10-00 Income at Raffles, Singapore 049318, telephone (65) 6229 8088.</p>

## Additional Details

<b>Date Of Appointment</b>	06/07/2017
<b>Name Of Person</b>	Dr Chia Kok Hoong
<b>Age</b>	57
<b>Country Of Principal Residence</b>	Singapore
<b>The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, and the search and nomination process)</b>	Dr Chia's appointment as the Medical Director, in addition to his role as Executive Director, was recommended by the Nominating Committee of the Company and approved by the Company's board of directors ("Board") based on his qualifications and work experience. The Board has reviewed the qualifications and experience of Dr Chia and is of the view that his reputation and vast experience in the medical field will raise the medical standards and lead to positive contributions to the local and future regional growth of the Company and its subsidiaries ("Group").
<b>Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility</b>	Yes. Responsible for overseeing the Group's medical practices, standards and governance.
<b>Job Title (e.g. Lead ID, AC Chairman, AC Member etc.)</b>	Medical Director
	No.

<b>Familial relationship with any director and/ or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries</b>	
<b>Conflict of interests (including any competing business)</b>	No.
<b>Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years</b>	2003-2009: Tan Tock Seng Hospital Positions held include: Deputy Head of General Surgery Department, Chief Vascular Surgeon, Director of Lower Extremity Amputation Prevention (LEAP) under HSDP Programme, Minister of Health Singapore.  2009 till present: Dr Chia started his private practice at Mount Elizabeth Medical Centre in 2009, and subsequently at Mount Alvernia Hospital and Farrer Park Hospital.
<b>Undertaking submitted to the listed issuer in the form of Appendix 7.7 (Listing Rule 704 (7)) Or Appendix 7H (Catalist Rule 704(6))</b>	Yes
<b>Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries?</b>	Yes
<b>Shareholding Details</b>	34,753,440 ordinary shares
<b># These fields are not applicable for announcements of appointments pursuant to Listing Rule 704 (9) or Catalist Rule 704 (8).</b>	
<b>Past (for the last 5 years)</b>	Heah & Chia Surgical Associates Pte Ltd (Company has been struck off the Register on 9 March 2017)
<b>Present</b>	Please see "Annexure A" as per attached.
<b>(a) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any bankruptcy law of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner at the time when he was a partner or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a partner?</b>	No
<b>(b) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against an entity (not being a partnership) of which he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive, at the time when he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity, for the winding up or dissolution of that entity or, where that entity is the trustee of a business trust, that business trust, on the ground of insolvency?</b>	No
<b>(c) Whether there is any unsatisfied judgment against him?</b>	No
<b>(d) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such purpose?</b>	No
<b>(e) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or has been the subject of any criminal</b>	No

proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such breach?	
(f) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgment has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings of which he is aware) involving an allegation of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part?	No
(g) Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any entity or business trust?	No
(h) Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director or an equivalent person of any entity (including the trustee of a business trust), or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any entity or business trust?	No
(i) Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgment or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	No
(j) Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of :-	
(i) any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(ii) any entity (not being a corporation) which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing such entities in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(iii) any business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing business trusts in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(iv) any entity or business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, in connection with any matter occurring or arising during that period when he was so concerned with the entity or business trust?	No
(k) Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?	Yes
If Yes, Please provide full details	Please see "Annexure B" as per attached.
Any prior experience as a director of a listed company?	Yes

<b>If Yes, Please provide details of prior experience</b>	Dr Chia is currently an Executive Director of HC Surgical Specialists Limited.
<b>Attachments</b>	 <a href="#">Annexure A.pdf</a>  <a href="#">Annexure B.pdf</a> Total size =88K

## Annexure A

No.	Name of Companies
	<u>Companies within the Group</u>
1	HC Surgical Specialists Limited
2	Heah Sieu Min (Mt E) Pte Ltd
3	Heah Sieu Min (Bukit Batok) Pte Ltd
4	Heah Sieu Min (Paragon) Pte Ltd
5	CKH (Mt E) Pte Ltd
6	CKH (Mt A) Pte Ltd
7	CKH (Farrer Park) Pte Ltd
8	Hougang Clinic Pte Ltd
9	Heah Sieu Min (Dleedon) Pte Ltd
10	HC (Hillford) Pte Ltd
11	HC (GM) Pte Ltd
12	SHL Group Pte Ltd
13	Lai Bec Pte Ltd
14	Malcolm Lim Pte Ltd
15	Medical Services @ Tampines Pte. Ltd.
16	Julian Ong Endoscopy & Surgery Pte Ltd
17	Medical L & C Services Pte. Ltd.
	<u>Companies not within the Group</u>
1	CH Hillford Investments Pte. Ltd.
2	CH Investment Holdings Pte. Ltd.
3	CKH Investment Holdings Pte. Ltd.
4	Farrer Park Holdings Pte. Ltd.
5	HC3 Pte. Ltd.
6	Heah Sieu Min (Novena) Pte. Ltd.
7	King Chia Pte. Ltd.
8	Alpha Assets Pte. Ltd.
9	G 7 Investment Holdings Pte. Ltd.

## Annexure B

(k) Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?

In 2013, a previous patient of Dr. Chia, who had a varicose vein treatment, experienced post-operative nerve injury following an endovenous laser therapy which was carried out for the removal of varicose veins on her legs. She alleged that Dr. Chia did not advise her about the risks and complications associated with the operation. She lodged a complaint against Dr. Chia with the Singapore Medical Council (“SMC”) and at the same time initiated a civil suit against him. The Complaints Committee of the SMC reviewed the complaint in light of expert evidence and issued a letter of advice to Dr. Chia to improve his documentation processes with patients. No further actions were taken by the SMC and Dr. Chia was cleared of professional negligence. The civil suit was also dismissed by the High Court of Singapore on 19 September 2016.

In 2014, a patient was referred to Dr. Chia for an inflamed gallbladder. Based on the ultrasound scan report provided to him by the referral doctor, Dr. Chia performed a laparoscopic procedure on her to remove her gallstones, and sent her gallbladder for a histopathology analysis, which subsequently revealed that the patient had gallbladder cancer. The patient’s daughter lodged a complaint against him with the SMC in August 2015, alleging certain matters, including that he had pressured her mother into agreeing to surgery, that he had admitted her mother to a hospital not of her choice and that he had provided inadequate medical care to her mother. She also alleged, based on the opinion of a second doctor that he should not have operated on her mother in the first place. Dr. Chia submitted his written explanation in response to refute her groundless complaints to the SMC, including an expert’s report from a senior consultant supporting his professional decisions relating to this matter. The SMC reviewed the complaint and dismissed it on 20 April 2016.