

Living My Love of Medicine

# DISCOVER THE INFECTIOUS DISEASES SENIOR RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

Infectious Diseases (ID) is a specialty that traverses the traditional boundaries of organ-specific specialties. ID physicians are first and foremost, competent in general Internal Medicine; but at the same time, they are knowledgeable about surgical issues, including subspecialty surgical problems such as those in neurosurgery, orthopaedic surgery, cardiothoracic surgery and ophthalmology.

ID physicians have an intimate knowledge of the workings of the other specialties, in addition to their understanding of infection, infectious diseases, the immune response, and anti-infectives. This makes the ID physician a valuable member of the healthcare team.

Ideally, you should have a strong interest in Infectious Diseases and full medical registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). You should also have completed an ACGME-I accredited Internal Medicine Residency programme.

We also welcome Residents who have successfully completed BST training in Singapore, a JCST approved programme outside Singapore, or a one-year prefellowship programme in a JCST non-approved programme.

Additionally, you should have passed the following intermediate examinations: MRCP (UK), MRCP (Ireland), MMed (Int Med) Singapore, FRACP (Pt II), or ABIM diploma, or PGME. You must be a good team player with excellent interpersonal skills and an academic mind.



A major focus of our programme is on inpatient consultations from all medical and surgical disciplines at the two major training facilities (Singapore General Hospital / Changi General Hospital). Senior Residents will be exposed to a very wide case-mix at the two hospitals to help you hone your clinical skills and experience.

### **OUR CURRICULUM**

Our training curriculum comprises an excellent mix of clinical activities, didactic educational activities and research opportunities.

Senior Residents will attend and participate in Wednesday trainees lecture series, journal clubs and Friday interhospital grand rounds. In addition, combined rounds, such as Surgical/Neurosurgical Intensive Care Rounds and Burns Grand Rounds, will give you the extensive exposure to ID issues

of various disciplines, and enable you to work with these specialists when the need arises.

In addition, a one-year post ACGME-I certification training in either research or clinical electives is required before you are allowed to sit for the specialist examination. After passing the examination, you will be certified by the Specialist Accreditation Board (SAB), Singapore Medical Council (SMC) as an ID physician.



### YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE

#### COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING IN INFECTIONS DISEASES

The programme offers a combination of teaching and management rounds. You will participate in patient-based rounds, in which current cases are presented for discussion. The comprehensive discussions may include a range of issues, such as interpretation of clinical data, differential diagnosis, specific management of the patient, the appropriate use of anti-infectives, the incorporation of evidence and patient values in clinical decision making and disease prevention.

# YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS & DEVELOPMENT

The SingHealth Infectious Diseases Senior Residency programme is your foundation to a promising career as an Infectious Diseases physician. You can choose to become an excellent Clinician, a quality Educator or a pioneering Researcher. You may also have the option to pursue a subspecialty field of ID such as HIV, Travel Medicine or Transplant.

# HEAR FROM OUR RESIDENTS

As a Senior Resident, I have been fascinated, inspired, and challenged – to go back to the fundamentals whilst answering the most current practice questions. Working alongside dynamic mentors who negotiate medicine, infection control, public health and research, provides me with unparalleled training and preparation for the future.

**DR YVONNE CHAN** 

Infectious Diseases Senior Resident, Year 2018



Given the nature of our consultations, the subspecialty of Infectious Diseases requires strong knowledge of both general medical and surgical diseases alike. The three years of Internal Medicine training have better prepared me for what lies ahead in this increasingly challenging field of Infectious Diseases, in the light of newer immunosuppressive therapies, more advanced surgical techniques and more multidrug-resistant microorganisms just to name a few. I am grateful to my mentors from the training programme, without whom I would not have become who I am today.

**DR ZHENG SHUWEI** 

Infectious Diseases Senior Resident, Year 2018



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