



# OPHTHALMOLOGY

## RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

*Living My Love  
of Medicine*

# DISCOVER THE OPHTHALMOLOGY RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

The eye is a fascinating little organ responsible for an important sensory function - Vision. It is an accessible structure which can be easily examined and handled. Surgery is often intricate and complex, and can often be related to other medical conditions including neurological, oncological, rheumatologic, endocrine and cardiovascular disorders. This spectrum of conditions provides Ophthalmologists with interesting diagnostic and management challenges.

The Ophthalmology Residency programme at the Singapore National Eye Centre (SNEC) aims to nurture you into a well-rounded highly competent Ophthalmologist, who is ready to serve the needs of the Singapore population. A pool of renowned Faculty dedicated to your training, together with a wide case-mix will help you to master proper clinical examination of the eye and all its functions, and management of the different subspecialty conditions. You will also be able to perform various forms of ophthalmic surgery. The programme will also prepare you for further subspecialty fellowship training, be it within SNEC or overseas.

Our close association with the Singapore Eye Research Institute (SERI) also means that you will have opportunities to be involved in exciting research breakthroughs. If you are inquisitive, motivated, compassionate and a team-player, Ophthalmology might just be for you. We welcome you to speak to us to find out more.

## YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Over the course of five years, the robust Ophthalmology Residency programme at SingHealth provides you with a broad-based education covering all aspects of general Ophthalmology and its subspecialties. Ample opportunities are present to participate in clinical and surgical training, attend didactic lectures and pursue your research dreams. A large and specialised Ophthalmic centre such as SNEC has abundant and dedicated training resources, and we have created a structured, vibrant and collegial educational environment to help develop you as an Ophthalmologist.

### **RICH CASE-MIX TO HONE YOUR CLINICAL SKILLS**

SNEC is a part of the large group of hospitals and institutions that make up SingHealth. The large clinical and surgical case-mix across all Ophthalmic specialties offers our Residents a breathtaking array of clinical material and research opportunities - there is never a dull day here.

### **AT THE CUTTING-EDGE OF MEDICINE**

SNEC has a dedicated and prominent team of Faculty

members who are deeply committed and care about your advancement as a Resident, together with state-of-the-art clinical equipment and operating theatres.

### **STERLING INTERNATIONAL REPUTE**

SingHealth and SNEC have strong links with many leading Ophthalmic centres in the US, UK, Europe and the Asia-Pacific region. Visits and talks by world-renowned Ophthalmologists to our facilities are illuminating and frequent. The relationships we built have further paved the way for our Residents to undergo fellowship training at centres of excellence in many parts of the world.

### **VISIONARY RESEARCH**

With the Singapore Eye Research Institute (SERI) located at SNEC, you will find a wealth of research opportunities for your selection, and can choose to undertake independent investigation or participate in many of the ongoing research projects. Close mentorship by Clinicians and scientists has further allowed our Residents to present their work at international conferences and publish their work in high-impact journals.



## YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS & DEVELOPMENT

Through the Ophthalmology Residency programme, you will be equipped to manage all general Ophthalmic conditions with ease. SNEC graduates are not only competent in the diagnosis, surgical skills and use of investigational equipment, but are furthermore professional, compassionate and sensitive towards patients.

If fellowship training is in your plans, you will have little difficulty as a SNEC graduate in securing further training in an Ophthalmic subspecialty of choice at SNEC or any other international institution. Our graduates are also eminently qualified to apply for an Associate Consultant position in Ophthalmology at any hospital in Singapore.

## A WEALTH OF RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Research is one of the core pillars of SNEC and here you will find the perfect setting for your work as an investigator, researcher or Clinician Scientist. SERI's state-of-the-art complex comprises eight laboratories, a clinical trials pharmacy, research clinics with specialised research equipment and facilities, as well as a team of clinical staff and research scientists drawn from leading institutions around the world.

Beyond these facilities, SERI has established a comprehensive network of Clinician Researchers in SERI-affiliated institutions throughout Singapore. Ongoing research alliances and collaborations with renowned international institutions such as Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA; Moorfields Eye Hospital, London, UK and the Lions Eye Institute, Perth, Australia further ensure high levels of research competency and skills transfer.

## HEAR FROM OUR RESIDENTS



SNEC provides unparalleled excellence in teaching, patient care and research. It is a place where one has abundant opportunities to work with and learn from world-class ophthalmologists. The institution and core faculty are dedicated to the learning and growth of the Residents, committed to constantly engaging with Residents, and also provide invaluable supervision, support and guidance. In SNEC, one can be confident of being fully equipped to become a competent and proficient ophthalmologist in all aspects.

**DR OLIVIA HUANG**

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At SNEC, medical knowledge is augmented regularly via multiple teaching platforms, which include ward rounds, subspecialty clinical conferences, journal clubs, radiology and ocular imaging rounds. Of course, a strong relationship with our core Faculty and non-clinical staff, whom have been efficient, approachable and responsive to our needs, and continuously providing us guidance along the way, has also been invaluable to our work for our patients.

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