

CV – DR. CHIAM KENG HOONG

Dr Chiam Keng Hoong completed his MBBS from International Medical University Kuala Lumpur in 2007 and obtained the MRCP (UK) in 2012. He received the European Society of Gastroenterology and Hepatology (ESEGH) certificate in 2018 and completed his Fellowship in Gastroenterology and Hepatology in 2019.

Dr Chiam began his medical career at Hospital Sultanah Bahiyah Alor Setar as House Officer, Medical Officer, and Clinical Physician from 2007 until 2013. He then served as a Physician in Hospital Keningau, Sabah, for two-and-a-half years before pursuing his gastroenterology and hepatology fellowship training in Hospital Raja Perempuan Zainab 2, Kota Bharu, Kelantan, and Hospital Sultanah Bahiyah Alor Setar from 2015 to 2018. In the final year of the fellowship, he secured a place in South Australia to train with Professor Rajvinder Singh, an internationally renowned expert in advanced luminal endoscopy, focusing specifically on detecting and treating early gastrointestinal (GI) cancers. He was exposed to state-of-the-art facilities and began adopting image-enhanced endoscopy and artificial intelligence to improve his detection capabilities while learning various therapeutic endoscopic skills to treat early GI cancers. Returning to Malaysia in mid-2019 and until October 2022, he continued to serve as a Consultant at Hospital Sultanah Bahiyah and, subsequently, Hospital Queen Elizabeth 1, Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, before joining Pantai Hospital Penang. During this time, he began introducing and teaching what he had learnt in Australia and introduced advanced endoscopic imaging with safe and advanced polypectomy methods.

Dr Chiam is passionate about all things related to luminal and third-space endoscopy. To date, he has more than 40 submitted articles and abstracts to various international conferences in Malaysia, Singapore, Australia, China and South Korea. He has won awards for his innovative ideas in competitive endoscopic videos. Dr Chiam is also actively involved in research activities and has published more than 30 articles in various peer-reviewed scientific journals. In 2020, under the guidance of the former national gastroenterology chairman and current deputy director general of health, Datuk Dr Radzi, along with several senior consultant gastroenterologists, he successfully published and launched the Malaysian National Endoscopy Atlas. In 2022, he spearheaded the National Basic Endoscopy Roadshow Workshop in Alor Setar,

Kota Bharu, Penang, and Johor Bharu for endoscopists of all levels. In addition, he is also a frequently invited keynote speaker in various luminal endoscopy workshops organized for local and international gastrointestinal assistants throughout Malaysia.

In line with his passion for luminal endoscopy and research work, he is recently elected as an international member of the prestigious Asian Novel Bio-Imaging and Intervention Group (ANBIG), which seeks to promote training and education on early gastrointestinal cancers in the Asia-Pacific Region. He continues to strive for the best in all things related to luminal endoscopy in private practice by keeping up with current trends in endoscopy and ensuring that all the key performance indices are meticulously followed.