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RafflesHospital Opens in Chongqing Intensifies Expansion into China

2 January 2019, Singapore – *RafflesMedicalGroup* (the **Group**) is pleased to announce the opening of *RafflesHospital Chongqing*. With this development, the Group is now in 14 cities across Asia, including eight cities in China, namely Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing, Tianjin, Dalian, Nanjing, Shenzhen and Hong Kong.

RafflesHospital Chongqing is Singapore's first international tertiary hospital in China and supports the China-Singapore (Chongqing) Demonstration Initiative on Strategic Connectivity. The Hospital is owned and operated by **RafflesMedicalGroup**, a leading integrated healthcare organisation in Asia with over 42 years of history of growth and expansion in Singapore and the region. The Group will be opening a second hospital in Shanghai, Pudong Qiantan in 2019. The two hospitals, strategically located in the eastern and western regions of China, offer access to the Raffles brand of care within China.

RafflesHospital Chongqing, a 700-bed hospital with two tower blocks connected by a podium has a gross floor area of more than 100,000 square metres. When fully opened, the Hospital will offer a full complement of specialist services with state-of-the-art medical technology and centres of excellence in gastrointestinal surgery, obstetrics & gynaecology, paediatrics, cardiovascular surgery, neuroscience and oncology.

The *RafflesHospital Chongqing* medical panel and management comprises a mix of reputable local professionals and top international talents in the healthcare industry including specialists, physicians, nurses, allied health professionals and managers from Singapore, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia, Australia, Canada, Britain and Europe. This will enable *RafflesHospital Chongqing* to meet the needs of patients seeking quality care of international standards.

Selected management staff from *RafflesHospital Singapore* are seconded to *RafflesHospital Chongqing* to ensure that the Hospital draws on established expertise, systems and service standards. Some of the locally hired senior staff and doctors were sent to Singapore for attachment to ensure that they are familiar with *RafflesHospital*'s system and service model. *RafflesHospital Singapore* is a destination of choice for patients from more than 100 countries, with one third of its patients coming from overseas. It bears a number of national and international accreditations for its quality systems, including the prestigious Joint Commission International, and is the first Asian member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network.

RafflesHospital Chongqing will draw on Singapore's expertise and clinical resources to develop training and research as pillars for its development as an eminent medical centre. The Hospital will leverage on the Group's **RafflesHealthcareInstitute** to train local and foreign healthcare professionals, including accredited training and clinical attachments for local and foreign doctors, nurses, allied health professionals and healthcare managers.

Putting patients first, the spaces and processes in *RafflesHospital Chongqing* are designed around its patients to accord comfort, convenience, safety and privacy. Patient-centricity and personalised care are central to the experience in *RafflesHospital Chongqing*. Services are integrated and seamless, providing patients with the *RafflesHospital* experience.

Patients will have peace of mind as services offered are evidence-based, audited and peer reviewed. Subscribing to the Group Practice Model, the multi-disciplinary medical team works together to provide the best care to patients. The robust clinical governance will enable medical specialists to share a common commitment to the highest quality of medical practice through integrated care, education and research. This quality assurance and reliable healthcare delivered with sensitivity to the unique needs of each patient will be the hallmark of *RafflesHospital Chongqing*.

With a population size of 34 million, Chongqing is one of the four municipal cities supported by the Beijing government. Apart from providing quality healthcare to the rising middle and upper income population in Chongqing, the Hospital aims to meet a currently unmet demand for international quality healthcare service in Chongqing and its surrounding regions. *RafflesHospital Chongqing* will also be meeting the healthcare needs of the increasing number of foreigners working and setting up their bases in Chongqing for the region.

The Hospital will tap on Chongqing's strategic location as a gateway city, attracting people from the South Western region of China and Central Asia. *RafflesHospital Chongqing* is sited strategically at the Liangjiang New Area in Chongqing and in the same district as the Chongqing International Airport. Hence, the Hospital would be able to ride on the Belt and Road Initiative, with connectivity to the west, Europe and USA. High-speed trains connect Chongqing to Shanghai enabling greater synergies between *RafflesHospital Chongqing and RafflesHospital Shanghai*.

"This is an exciting time for us at Raffles as we have been looking at the healthcare space in China for some time. We are committed to bring the Raffles' brand of quality, peer-reviewed healthcare to China through *RafflesHospital Chongqing* and, in time to come, *RafflesHospital Shanghai*," said Dr Loo Choon Yong, Executive Chairman of *RafflesMedicalGroup*.

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About Raffles Medical Group

RafflesMedicalGroup (SGX: BSL) is a leading integrated private healthcare provider in the region, providing comprehensive services from primary to tertiary care.

RafflesMedical clinics form one of the largest networks of private family medicine and health screening centres in Singapore.

RafflesHospital, the flagship of Raffles Medical Group, is a private tertiary hospital located in the heart of Singapore offering a wide range of specialist medical and diagnostic services for both inpatients and outpatients. Representing more than 30 disciplines, our team of specialists constitutes a group practice combining subspecialty expertise and teamwork to ensure optimal, affordable and high quality care for our patients. The Group also has representative offices and patient liaison offices in Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Brunei, Bangladesh and the Russian Far East, as well as associates throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

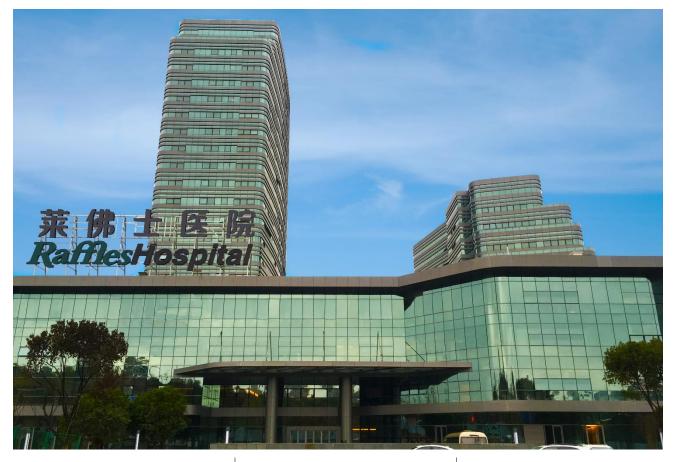
RafflesMedical International operates medical facilities beyond Singapore in 13 cities across China, Japan, Vietnam and Cambodia, including **RafflesHospital** in Chongqing. Another international hospital is under construction in Shanghai.

RafflesDental is a team-based multispecialty dental group in Singapore and China.

RafflesHealthinsurance provides healthcare insurance to corporate and individual clients.

For more information, please refer to our website at www.rafflesmedicalgroup.com.

Annex A: Factsheet on Raffles Hospital Chongqing



LOCATION

Liangjiang New Area in Chongqing, China

No. 2 Huashan Middle Road, Yubei District, Chongqing

BUILDING FEATURES

3 basements 3-storey podium 13-storey tower 23-storey tower

NUMBER OF BEDS

700

Including suites, single and two bedded wards

Hospital-Hotel management style

地点

两江新区,重庆市

重庆市渝北区 华山中路2号

建筑特色

3层低地层 3层裙楼 13层 塔楼 23 层 塔楼

700张床位

包括套房、单人房、 双人房

酒店式医院管理服务

Annex B: Senior Management of Raffles Hospital Chongqing



Dr Yang Ching Yu

Medical Director, Raffles Hospital (Chongqing) Medical Director, Raffles Hospital (Singapore) Senior Consultant in Colorectal Surgery

Dr Yang Ching Yu received his MBBS in 1980 from the University of Singapore. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (Glasgow) (1986) and the Academy of Medicine Singapore 1992. Dr Yang underwent advance specialist training at The Cleveland Clinic, Ohio USA, where he was a special Fellow in the Department of Colorectal Surgery and Gastro-Intestinal Surgery under a Singapore Government Health Manpower Development Plan Scholarship in 1989.

Besides general surgery procedures, Dr Yang is particularly interested in colorectal surgery, sphincter persevering rectal procedures, complicated recto-anal fistular surgeries and has extensive diagnostic & therapeutic endoscopy experience. He has been actively pursuing minimally invasive laparoscopic procedures since 1990. In July 2003, Dr Yang was the lead surgeon involved in the successful separation of the Korean Ischio-pagus conjoined twins at Raffles Hospital. Dr Yang has been with Raffles Hospital for over 25 years.



Dr Khoo Chow Huat

General Manager, Raffles Hospital (Chongqing) Former Deputy Managing Director of Sunway Group Healthcare Services and Chief Executive Officer of Sunway Medical Centre

Dr Khoo holds a Doctorate in Business Administration from Manchester Business School and a Master in Business Administration awarded jointly by the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. He is also a Chartered Management Accountant.

Dr Khoo is an experienced hospital and healthcare administrator with more than 21 years of strategic, operational and investment management experience. Prior to joining Raffles, Dr Khoo was CEO of the 600-bed Sunway Medical Centre, one of the largest private tertiary hospitals in Southeast Asia, and before that, Orange Valley Healthcare, one of the largest eldercare service providers in the region. Dr Khoo also headed Mount Alvernia Hospital, a 303-bed private hospital in Singapore, as its CEO between 2008 and 2012.



Dr Keith Lau

Deputy Medical Director and Deputy General Manager, Raffles Hospital (Chongqing) Senior Consultant in Paediatric Medicine Former Director, International Medical Center of the University of Hong Kong - Shenzhen Hospital

and Honorary Clinical Professor of the Department of Paediatrics, University of Hong Kong

Dr Lau received his medical education from the University of Hong Kong and then he continued his postgraduate training in paediatrics and paediatric nephrology in Canada and USA. He was an attending physician and assistant professor in the University of California, Davis, where he also served as the associate residency programme director. He then moved to McMaster Children Hospital in Canada to become the chief of nephrology and associate professor there.

Before joining Raffles Hospital, Chongqing, he was the director of the International Medical Centre of the University of Hong Kong - Shenzhen Hospital, and the honorary clinical professor of the Department of Paediatrics, University of Hong Kong. He has published over 100 book chapters and journal articles and has served on the editorial boards of multiple scientific journals.