## HC SURGICAL SPECIALISTS LIMITED Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore Registration No. 201533429G

## **OPENING OF TOTAL ORTHOPAEDIC CARE & SURGERY (ORCHARD)**

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of HC Surgical Specialists Limited ("**HCSS**" or the "**Company**", and together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") wishes to announce that its associated company, Total Orthopaedics Pte. Ltd., had on 29 June 2024, obtained the medical licence from the Ministry of Health for the operations of its orthopaedic centre, known as Total Orthopaedic Care & Surgery (Orchard) (the "**TOCS (Orchard)**"), located at 350 Orchard Road Shaw House #10-01 Singapore 238868.

TOCS (Orchard) is the third orthopaedic centre of the Group. The other two centres are Total Orthopaedic Care & Surgery located at 10 Sinaran Drive #09-24 Novena Medical Centre Singapore 3047506, and HC Orthopaedics & Surgical Centre (Tampines) located at Blk 801 Tampines Avenue 4 #01-273 Singapore 520801.

The three centres are helmed by Dr. Benjamin Seah ("**Dr. Seah**"), who joined the Group in June 2023, Dr. Huang Yilun ("**Dr. Huang**") and Dr. Hamid Rahmatullah Bin Abd Razak ("**Dr. Hamid Razak**"), both of whom joined the Group in April 2024.

Dr. Seah is an experienced surgeon, having worked in public hospitals for more than 15 years. He has been a specialist surgeon since 2017 and completed his fellowship training in shoulder and elbow surgery in 2020. Dr. Seah was previously a consultant orthopaedic surgeon as well as the shoulder and elbow service lead in the department of orthopaedic surgery at Sengkang General Hospital. He was responsible for managing all complex upper limb fractures, joint replacements and ligament injuries for the hospital.

Dr. Huang is an experienced surgeon, having worked in public hospitals for more than 15 years. He has been a specialist surgeon since 2018 and completed his fellowship training in endoscopic spinal surgery in 2022 in Busan, Korea. Dr. Huang was previously a consultant orthopaedic surgeon as well as the spine surgery service lead in the department of orthopaedic surgery at Sengkang General Hospital as well as the site chief for the SingHealth Duke-NUS Spine Centre. Dr. Huang was responsible for managing spinal conditions for the hospital, ranging from traumatic, infective and degenerative causes. His main interest and subspecialty is in performing endoscopic spinal surgery, a form of minimally invasive surgery for various spinal conditions. He is also the chairperson of the endoscopic spine surgery focus group in the Singapore Spine Society.

Dr. Hamid Razak is an experienced knee preservation specialist, having worked in governmentrestructured hospitals for the last 15 years. He has been a specialist orthopaedic surgeon since 2018 and completed a fellowship in knee preservation surgery at the renowned London Knee Osteotomy Centre from 2019-2020. Dr. Hamid Razak was also awarded the prestigious clinical fellowship award by the International Cartilage & Joint Preservation Society (ICRS) in 2023 for his extensive research and clinical work in knee preservation. Dr. Hamid Razak was previously a consultant orthopaedic surgeon as well as the sports surgery service lead in the department of orthopaedic surgery at Sengkang General Hospital as well as the site chief for the SingHealth Duke-NUS Sport & Exercise Medicine Centre. To broaden the horizons of knee preservation surgery, Dr. Hamid Razak and like-minded colleagues founded the Singapore Knee Preservation Society in 2022. He is currently serving as its vice-president. Apart from orthopaedic surgery, Dr. Hamid Razak is also passionate about community service and public health administration, having completed a Master of Public Health at the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health in 2023 under the auspices of the Lee Kuan Yew postgraduate scholarship.

Commenting on the opening of TOCS (Orchard), Dr. Seah commented, "Staying true to our emphasis on personalised patient care, quality and easy accessibility, TOCS (Orchard) at Shaw House and the recent addition of two experienced orthopaedic specialists completes our initial phase of growth. This new orthopaedic centre serves patients living and working in the vicinity, allows easy access to radiological services and provides musculoskeletal (or sports) health screening services."

Chief Executive Officer of HCSS, Dr. Heah Sieu Min commented, "*The Company is thrilled with the progress of the orthopaedic business. With three experienced orthopaedic surgeons and three well-located centres, we hope to serve more patients with their needs and at the same time, grow our business to greater heights.*"

For appointments at the orthopaedic centre, please call 9232-6737.

By Order of the Board

Dr. Heah Sieu Min Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer 17 July 2024

## **About HC Surgical Specialists Limited**

HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the "Company") was incorporated on 1 September 2015 in Singapore and listed on the Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on 3 November 2016. The Company, its subsidiaries and associated companies are a medical services group primarily engaged in the provision of endoscopic procedures, including gastroscopies and colonoscopies, and general surgery services with a focus on colorectal procedures across a network of 18 clinics located throughout Singapore.

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