## HC SURGICAL SPECIALISTS LIMITED

Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore Registration No. 201533429G

## FURTHER UPDATE TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF 12 APRIL 2020

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the "Company" and together with its subsidiaries, the "Group") refers to the Company's announcement made on 12 April 2020 in respect of the requirement for Dr Julian Ong ("Dr Ong") to inform all patients, prior to any consultation, of the matters alluded to in his defamation suit and to obtain the consent of each patient to act as their physician if they should so agree, save for any emergency consultation.

The Company has decided to remove this Company-imposed requirement on Dr Ong with immediate effect, on account of the High Court's decision in his favour on his appeal to the defamation suit taken out against Ms Serene Tiong, as mentioned in the announcement on 4 October 2020. Nonetheless, the Company wishes to highlight that the restrictions imposed by the SMC Interim Orders Committee, as mentioned in the announcement on 19 June 2020, are still in force.

The Company will provide further updates on this matter if necessary, in compliance with the Catalist Rules.

By Order of the Board

Dr. Heah Sieu Min Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer 2 November 2020

## **About HC Surgical Specialists Limited**

HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the "Company") was incorporated on 1 September 2015 in Singapore and listed on Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on 3 November 2016. The Company, its subsidiaries and associated company 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.

This announcement has been prepared by the Company and reviewed by the Company's sponsor, Novus Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd. (the "Sponsor"), in compliance with Rule 226(2)(b) of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the "SGX-ST") Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist.

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