

# COLLEGE OF ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS, SINGAPORE

The Charity was set up on 17 August 2004 as a College with Dr Edward Pang as the first elected President of the College. It was registered under the Charities Act on 18 August 2004 (Unique Entity Number (UEN): 200410333E). Its registered address is at 81 Kim Keat Road, NKF Centre, #11-00, Singapore 328836. Its internal auditor is Messrs Fiducia LLP.

The College aims to continually work towards improving the quality of anaesthesia practice and to foster a small but closely knitted anaesthesia fraternity in Singapore.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2016 has been a good year for CAS! The College has embraced two new members, Drs Terence Quah and Nelson Chua to serve as Council Members. The College would like to thank its former President, Dr Philip Tseng and two retired councils, Dr Kwek Tong Kiat and Dr Agnes Ng for their valuable contributions to the College.

In mid last year, the College had set up a Travel Grant with a maximum of \$2,500 annually to support College members requiring travelling as College representative to conferences organised by colleges in Australia, Hong Kong or Malaysia. The grant is strictly to be used to defray expenses incurred on airfare and accommodation for attending the event.

With the success of past Refresher Courses and Combined Anaesthetic Meetings, the College hopes to organise more exciting and beneficial activities for its members in 2017 and the years to come. The College will also strive to update and improve our practice guidelines and to engage more partners.

Dr Ti Lian Kah



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## THE 2016-2017 COUNCIL

President	Dr Ti Lian Kah Director from 19 May 2012
President Elect	Dr Sophia Chew Tsong Huey Director from 22 May 2010
Vice President	Dr Yeo Sow Nam Director from 8 May 2015
Honorary Secretary	Dr Terence Quah Chien Choon Director from 18 May 2016
Honorary Treasurer	Dr Koh Kwong Fah Director from 18 May 2013
Council Members	Dr Nelson Chua Ping Ping Director from 18 May 2016 Dr Wendy Teoh Hui Ling Director from 12 April 2014



Seated (from left):  
Dr Wendy Teoh Hui Ling (Council Member), Dr Ti Lian Kah (President),  
Dr Yeo Sow Nam (Vice President), Dr Sophia Chew Tsong Huey (President Elect)

Standing (from left):  
Dr Terence Quah Chien Choon (Honorary Secretary), Dr Koh Kwong Fah  
(Honorary Treasurer), Dr Nelson Chua Ping Ping (Council Member)

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The College held its 12th Annual General Meeting on 18 May 2016 at Gleneagles Hospital. A total of 30 Fellows had attended the meeting.

## COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Council meets once every two months to conduct the business and affairs of the College. In 2016, the Council had met four times.

## MEMBERSHIP

As of 31 December 2016, the College membership stood at 146 Fellows, comprising 139 Local Fellows and seven Overseas Fellows.

## ACTIVITIES

### ANAESTHESIA REFRESHER COURSE 2016

The Refresher Course, held on 16 April 2016 at the Carlton Ballroom of York Hotel, was well attended with a total of 71 doctors. The course was chaired by A/Prof Ti Lian Kah. Among the highlights at the Scientific Meeting were talks by the invited lecturers, Dr Macaulay Onuigbo (Associate Professor of Mayo Clinic Rochester in Minnesota) and Dr Kelvin Bryan Tan (Director in Policy, Research and Economics Office at Ministry of Health). The Scientific Meeting had been an exciting course with assuring feedback received.

### COMBINED ANAESTHETIC MEETINGS

The College and the Singapore Society of Anaesthesiologists had organised three (3) Combined Anaesthesia Meetings in 2016.

Date	20 February
Theme	Making Obstetrics Anaesthesia Safer
Chaired by	Dr Rajive Dabas
Venue	KK Women's and Children's Hospital
No. of Attendees	84
Date	23 July
Theme	Enhancing Safety for the High Risk Surgical Patient
Chaired by	Dr Rex Joseph Morais
Venue	National University Health System Tower Block
No. of Attendees	61
Date	22 October
Theme	Perioperative Transfusion Medicine – Managing the Anaemic Surgical Patient
Chaired by	Prof Hwang Nian Chih
Venue	Academia, Singapore General Hospital
No. of Attendees	72



Participants at the 'Perioperative Transfusion Medicine – Managing the Anaemic Surgical Patient' Combined Anaesthetic Meeting.

### LECTURE SESSION WITH PROFESSOR IAN EDWARD CURRAN

The College had invited Professor Ian Edward Curran (Assistant Director of Education and Professional Standards, UK General Medical Council) to share his work in professional standards at the Academia, Singapore General Hospital on 11 November 2016. Professor Curran had been awarded the 2016 Distinguished Academician by the Academy of Medicine, Singapore (AMS).

The session comprised a lecture entitled 'Anaesthesia Education: Trends, Future and Wider Impact' and a round table discussion on 'Leading Inter-Professional Education: The Anaesthetic Perspective', chaired by Dr Tay Sook Muay. About 32 participants had been in attendance.

As a leading educationalist and policy maker in Anaesthesia (the College conducted the first European Diploma Exam in Regional Anaesthesia and Pain Exams outside of Europe), the committees had hoped that the lecture session would help to redefine the role of the anaesthesiologist, to embrace the whole concept of coordinating and in optimising the perioperative care of patients in future.



Lecture session with Professor Ian Edward Curran, the 2016 Distinguished Academician.