



## **CITATION FOR ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ALFRED KOW WEI CHIEH OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD**

Associate Professor Alfred Kow Wei Chieh is an outstanding student-centred educator and an exceptional visionary leader in medical education. Alfred is known for his signature General Surgery Slides Review (GSSR) series, which is extremely well received by medical students. His most recent education journey is distinguished by innovative technology-enhanced projects on patient-safety, surgery and healthcare economics, which have the potential for adoption in the region and internationally.

Among his many impactful innovations, “PASS-IT” (Patient Safety in Surgery as Interprofessional Training), which uses virtual-reality technology, allows students to learn in a safe environment where they can make mistakes without compromising patient safety, and achieve competency. Despite the lack of clinical training sites during the COVID-19 pandemic, students were able to receive systematic and effective training in an immersive environment.

At the national level, he led a team at the Ministry of Health to create the “Let’s PASS IT” mobile-app, a compulsory education module for Professional Training and Assessment Standards on patient-safety in junior doctors across Singapore.

For his exceptional leadership in medical curriculum development especially in the domain of surgical education, patient-safety and advanced innovative technology in making learning interactive and impactful, Alfred truly deserves the Outstanding Educator Award.