



SINGAPORE DENTAL COUNCIL

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To: All Graduate Dentists

NOTICE OF BY-ELECTION 2012:

23 August 2012 (0800hrs) to 30 August 2012 (1900hrs)

1. We have received 2 valid nominations for the Dental Council By-Election scheduled in August 2012 and they are as follows:

Nominees	Proposers	Seconders
Choo Keang Hai	Fang Chui-Yun Mabel	Lee Tien Tien
Goh Kong Hui Philip	Benjamin Charles Long	Tseng Seng Kwong Patrick

2. A short profile of each candidate is enclosed for your information. A soft copy of the individual's profile can also be found at the Singapore Dental Council's ("SDC") website at <http://www.sdc.gov.sg>. Candidates may canvass for votes "tastefully" without bringing the profession into disrepute. Candidates are also advised to refrain from making comments about the other candidates.

3. Polling will be carried out with the **24-hour Automated Telephone Voting System**. If you have access to a "tone phone" (a key-pad telephone with 10 numerals, the asterisk "*" and hex "#" keys), you may cast your votes even while overseas.

4. To vote, login with your **Dental Council Registration Number** and a random **Voter Identification Number**, which will be sent to you shortly by **registered mail**. Each candidate will be identified by a 2-digit code number. Key in the candidate's code and the selected candidate will receive your vote.

5. After you have successfully voted for the candidate, the system will issue you with a **4-digit confirmation number**. Make a note of this number, as it will indicate that you have successfully voted.

6. **Voting is compulsory**[^]. Even if you do not wish to vote for any of the candidates, you are required to call the voting hotline to cast a **blank vote**, that is, cast your vote for the *nameless candidate*, i.e., "candidate double-zero ("00")". Please note that only fully registered dentists are eligible to vote in this By-Election. Dentists with conditional or temporary registration in the Register of Dentists are not eligible to vote.

7. Failure to vote could result in you being denied the privilege of renewing your practising licence unless you pay a fine of \$500 to the Singapore Dental Council. The Singapore Dental Council sincerely hopes that it does not need to impose such sanctions.

8. Please note the polling period is from **23 August 2012 (0800hrs) to 30 August (1900hrs)**. We look forward to your participation in the By-Election.



Dr. Chng Chai Kiat
Returning Officer
Dental Council By-Election 2012

^A Dental Registration Act (Chapter 76)

Compulsory voting

5. (1) Every fully registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the Register of Dentists and who —

(a) is resident in Singapore; and

(b) has in force a practising certificate on the day of election of candidates as members of the Council referred to in section 3(2)(f),

shall vote for the election of such members at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed.

(2) Where a fully registered dentist whose name appears in the first division of the Register of Dentists is required to vote for the election of the members of the Council under subsection (1) and fails to do so, he shall not be entitled to apply for a practising certificate unless he —

(a) satisfies the Registrar that he had a good and sufficient reason for not voting at the election; or

(b) pays to the Council a penalty as prescribed by the Council.

INFORMATION ON CANDIDATE

NAME: CHOO KEANG HAI

AGE: 46

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS: B.D.S. (S'pore), D.G.D.P. (UK)

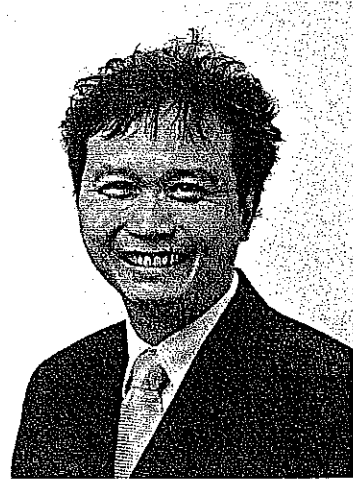
FEILD OF PRACTICE: General Dentistry

PLACE OF PRACTICE: Lee & Lee Dental Surgeons Pte Ltd

POSITIONS HELD IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS:

2006–2010: President, College of General Dental Practitioners, Singapore.

Currently: Secretary, College of General Dental Practitioners, Singapore.



POSITIONS HELD IN OTHER ORGANISATIONS:

- 1) Treasurer, Lions Club of Singapore Nassim
- 2) Zone Chairperson, Lions Clubs International 308-A1
- 3) Treasurer, TaeKwon-Do Union Singapore
- 4) Director, Sensori Holdings (S) Pte Ltd
- 5) Member of the Medical Subcommittee, Lions Home for the Elders
- 6) Martial Arts Convenor, Singapore Swimming Club
- 7) Assistant Coach, Global TaeKwon-Do Singapore

HONOURS AND AWARDS: University Bronze Medal 1990, joint top student in cohort.

MESSAGE TO COLLEAGUES:

Dear Colleagues,

Since graduation, 22 years ago, I have actively served in professional dental organisations. This culminated in two terms serving as President of the College of General Dental Practitioners Singapore (CGDP). This is an organisation I helped to set up in 2000 because I felt that General Dental Practitioners (GDPs) needed a body to meet their specific needs in practice management and clinical skills. I continue to serve the College in my present capacity as Secretary. As an officer of the College, I have organised several Continuing Professional Education (CPE) programmes. I have also represented general dental practitioners on numerous issues affecting them, the most recent being the licensing of Dental Materials.

Besides Professional matters, I am also very active in voluntary work for the under-privileged. I have been a member of the of the Lions movement in Singapore for the past 15 years. Bi-monthly, I care for the oral health of residents in the Lions Home for the Elders.

I have a 7th Degree Black Belt in TaeKwon-Do and am currently an Assistant Coach teaching young children the art of TaeKwon-Do.

I now offer myself as a candidate for the elected position in the Singapore Dental Council because I feel this is another platform from which I can continue to contribute to the profession. I am eager to learn about the functions of the SDC and see how I can provide my perspective as a general practitioner. I can also contribute the views and opinions of my colleagues in the private sector. Importantly, I can also help spread, among general practitioners, an understanding of the work of the Council

I believe I can serve you well if I am elected into the Council.

I seek your vote to continue my service to the profession.

Please vote for me.

Yours Sincerely,

CHOO KEANG HAI

Information on the Candidate

Name: Goh Kong Hui Philip

Age: 45 Gender: Male Status: Married

Professional Qualification: BDS Singapore 1992

Field of Practice: General Dentistry

Place of Practice: Philip Goh Dental Surgery



Professional/Academic Appointments:

2011 to Present	Visiting clinician, National University Hospital
2001 to Present	Sole proprietor, Philip Goh Dental Surgery
1995 to 2001	Partner, Goh and Goh Dental Surgeons
1993 to 1995	Associate dental surgeon, HH Lee Dental Surgery
1992 to 1993	Dental officer, officer-in-charge Nee Soon Dental Centre, SAF

Office held in Professional Organizations:

2011 to Present	Member, Dental Faculty Advisory Committee, National University of Singapore
2010 to 2012	President, Singapore Dental Association
2008 to 2010	Council Member, Singapore Dental Association
2008 to 2010	Chairperson, Continuing Professional Education Committee, Singapore Dental Association
2004 to 2008	Member, Continuing Professional Education Committee, Singapore Dental Association

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for granting me this privilege and honour to serve our profession. I will use my capabilities to contribute as much as I can for the benefit of our profession and will serve as long as I am welcomed.

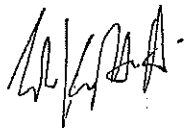
As you know, there is an increase in number of dental practitioners both locally and in the region. This is a consequence of the increasing demand from our dentally aware patients for quality dental care and some are beginning to have unrealistic requests and expectations. Based on these trends, I foresee many challenges ahead for all of us. I believe that SDC can play a crucial role, both in shaping a conducive environment for dental providers to practice in and balancing it with safeguarding the interest of the general public.

As the practice of dentistry has been constantly evolving with new technology and materials, I strongly believe in regular attendance of CDE programs. In addition to the attendance of CDE courses, I have obtained a MSc in healthcare management, University of Wales Swansea in 1998 and also to compliment my NUS undergraduate training, I completed a Certificate in Oral Implantology from the University of Frankfurt in 2003 even though I was aware that these courses are not displayable qualifications.

During my term serving in SDA council from 2008-2012, I have the privilege to meet many fellow dental professionals from various countries and they have shared with me their visions and challenges. I hope to be able to use this experience to contribute in SDC.

As a General Dental Practitioner in private practice for 19 years in Singapore, I want you to know that I am aligned with your needs and concerns. I humbly request your support to allow me to do my best for all of you in SDC.

Yours faithfully,



Philip Goh