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DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE INQUIRY FOR DR YAP ENG HUAT JIMMY AND MS LIM JINGYI

1. The Singapore Dental Council ("**SDC**") held a Disciplinary Inquiry against Dr Yap Eng Huat Jimmy ("**Dr Yap**"), a dentist and Ms Lim Jingyi ("**Ms Lim**"), an oral health therapist. Both were practising at Nam Fung Dental Surgery at Geylang Road at the material time.
2. Both Dr Yap and Ms Lim faced one charge each of professional misconduct under the Dental Registration Act (Cap. 76) in respect of Ms Lim performing dental procedures on a patient on 28 July 2011 without the supervision of Dr Yap, as required under Section 21A(4) of the Dental Registration Act.
3. Ms Lim pleaded guilty to the charge against her on 30 October 2013 whilst Dr Yap contested the charge.
4. The Disciplinary Committee ("**DC**") noted that Dr Yap did not put in place any protocol to prevent Ms Lim from performing dental procedures in his absence.
5. Taking into account the circumstances of the case and the mitigating factors, the DC ordered that Dr Yap be fined \$10,000, censured for the lapse and to furnish a letter of undertaking to the Singapore Dental Council not to repeat the same offence. Dr Yap also has to pay the costs and expenses of and incidental to the proceedings, including the costs of the solicitors to the SDC and the Legal Assessor. Ms Lim was suspended for a period of 24 months, censured and ordered to furnish a letter of undertaking to the Singapore Dental Council.
6. Ms Lim's 24-month suspension took effect on 25 December 2013.

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