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DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE INQUIRY FOR DR SNG WEE HOCK

1. The Singapore Dental Council ("**SDC**") held a Disciplinary Inquiry against Dr Sng Wee Hock ("**Dr Sng**"), a dentist who practices under the name of "WH Dental Surgeons". At the material time, there are 2 clinics operated by Dr Sng – one in Punggol (Block 198 Punggol Field Road #02-01 Singapore 820198) and the other at Hougang (No. 1 Hougang Street 91, #01-65, Hougang Point, Singapore 538692).
2. Dr Sng faced a charge of misrepresenting to the Complainant that the cost of the dental implant procedure could be fully claimed from her Medisave Account when this is untrue.
3. Dr Sng denied the charge against him and the hearing proceeded accordingly.
4. Having considered all the evidence presented during the inquiry, the Disciplinary Committee ("**DC**") was satisfied that Dr Sng had indeed made the representation to the Complainant that the entire cost of the dental implant procedure could be claimed from her Medisave account, and that this amounted to professional misconduct because the misrepresentation made was likely to have an impact on a patient's decision to undergo the treatment.
5. Taking into account the circumstances of the case and the mitigating factors, the DC ordered that Dr Sng be fined \$15,000, censured for the lapse and to furnish a letter of undertaking to the Singapore Dental Council not to repeat the same offence. Dr Sng also has to pay 80% of the costs and expenses of and incidental to the proceedings, including the costs of the solicitors to the SDC and the Legal Assessor. The DC also ordered that the grounds of the decision shall be published for the benefit of the public and to serve as a deterrent effect.