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PRESS RELEASE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE ("DC") INQUIRY FOR DR CHUA CHEW KIAT SIMON JUDE

1. The Singapore Dental Council ("SDC") held a Disciplinary Inquiry against Dr Chua Chew Kiat Simon Jude ("Dr Chua"), a dentist who was practising at Advanced Dental Surgery Pte Ltd in Tampines which was then located at Block 484 Tampines Street 43 #01-224 Singapore 520484.
2. Dr Chua faced one (1) charge of professional misconduct under the Dental Registration Act (Cap. 76), for recommending and administering an orthodontic treatment plan for the Complainant when he knew or ought to have known that he did not possess the appropriate knowledge, skill or required knowledge to do so, and should have referred the Complainant to another dentist with the necessary expertise.
3. Dr Chua pleaded guilty to the charge against him on 12 October 2017.
4. Taking into account the circumstances of the case and the mitigating factors, the Disciplinary Committee made the following orders on 13 October 2017:
 - a. Dr Chua be suspended for a period of three (3) months;
 - b. Dr Chua to pay a penalty of \$15,000.00;
 - c. The following condition shall be imposed on the practice of Dr Chua in that Dr Chua shall not be permitted to provide any orthodontic services which shall include, but not limited to, any consultation, treatment planning, treatment procedures, review of any of his completed orthodontic cases, for a period of 24 months commencing from the date of the Disciplinary Committee's decision (*ie* 13 October 2017); and
 - d. Dr Chua bears the costs and expenses of and incidental to these proceedings including the costs of the solicitor for the Singapore Dental Council and the legal assessor.
5. The Disciplinary Committee also ordered that the decision shall be published.
6. Dr Chua's 3-month suspension shall take effect on 21 October 2017.

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