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To: Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) and Human Resource (HR) Personnel

AHPC'S GUIDELINES ON SUPERVISION AND DELEGATION OF TASKS TO THERAPY SUPPORT STAFF

Since the registration of occupational therapists, physiotherapists and speech therapists in 2014, the Allied Health Professions Council (AHPC) had received increasing numbers of queries regarding the roles of therapy support staff vis-a-vis AHPC registered therapists. There were also concerns raised with regard to therapy support staff performing tasks and activities that they were not qualified to do, whether these activities were in the interest of patients or clients, or were in contravention of the Allied Health Professions Act ("the Act").

- As such, the AHPC has developed the "Guidelines on Supervision and Delegation of Tasks to Therapy Support Staff" to provide guidance to the AHPC registered therapists and organisations providing therapy services to ensure that the employment and deployment of therapy support staff are carried out responsibly.
- 3 The AHPC will be organising briefings on the interpretation and application of the guidelines in April 2018. Details of the briefings will be released at a later date via e-mail and through HR officers.
- 4 Please visit the AHPC website at www.ahpc.gov.sg to download the guidelines. You may also write to admin@ahpc.gov.sg if you require further clarifications.

Thank you.

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