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## **HC Surgical and AIA Singapore Enter into Collaboration Appointment for Second Term**

*HC Surgical appointed as AIA Screening Service Provider for colorectal cancer*

### **Highlights**

- **HCSS has been appointed by AIA, for a second 3-Year term, to provide health services for eligible policy holders**
- **This appointment is expected to generate additional recurring revenue stream for HCSS**

**Singapore, 3 July 2022** – Catalyst-listed **HC Surgical Specialists Limited (SGX:1B1)** (“**HCSS**”) is delighted to announce that it has been appointed by AIA Singapore Private Limited (“**AIA Singapore**”) to provide quality health services for certain of their eligible insured clients, for a second term of 3 years with effect from 1 July 2022 (“**Appointment**”).

Through this Appointment, AIA Singapore will provide complimentary screening colonoscopy as part of its Early Detection Screening Benefit for eligible customers under AIA Max Essential A Saver, AIA Max VitalHealth A, AIA Max Essential A or AIA Max VitalCare as part of their efforts to help customers play a more active role in managing their health in the long term. HCSS has been appointed the health service provider for this benefit for the consecutive 3-year term.

Colorectal cancer is the most common cancer among men and the second most common cancer among women in Singapore. There were approximately 11,689 diagnosed with colorectal cancer between 2015-2019<sup>1</sup> compared to 9,807 cases between 2011-2015<sup>2</sup>, an increase of approximately 19%.

Annotating on this continuous collaboration, Chief Executive Officer of HCSS, **Dr. Heah Sieu Min** said: ***“HCSS has always lived by its motto of “Early Detection, Early Cure”. The past 3 years and 3 months have been a very fruitful journey with AIA Singapore as both parties worked together with a common goal to raise awareness and encourage early screening for colorectal cancer. HCSS is honored to be awarded a consecutive 3-year term with AIA Singapore to continue its offering of screening colonoscopy to their eligible clients. Our endoscopy centres in central and heartlands of Singapore look forward to providing this service with compassion, dedication and convenience at the patients’ doorstep.”***

***“AIA Singapore believes in the value of early detection and intervention as it is in line with our healthcare proposition to help people in Singapore live healthier, longer, better lives. Our continued collaboration with HC Surgical will allow us to continue providing our policyholders with high quality colonoscopy screening.”*** said **Dr. Alan Ong**, Medical Director of AIA Singapore.

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<sup>1</sup>[https://www.nrdo.gov.sg/docs/librariesprovider3/default-document-library/scr-2019\\_annual-report\\_final.pdf?sfvrsn=fa847590\\_0](https://www.nrdo.gov.sg/docs/librariesprovider3/default-document-library/scr-2019_annual-report_final.pdf?sfvrsn=fa847590_0)

<sup>2</sup>[https://www.nrdo.gov.sg/docs/librariesprovider3/Publications-Cancer/cancer-registry-annual-report-2015\\_web.pdf?sfvrsn=10](https://www.nrdo.gov.sg/docs/librariesprovider3/Publications-Cancer/cancer-registry-annual-report-2015_web.pdf?sfvrsn=10)



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About HC Surgical Specialists Limited

HC Surgical Specialists Limited (“HCSS” or “Company”) was incorporated on 1 September 2015 in Singapore and listed on the Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on 3 November 2016. The Company and its subsidiaries and associated company are a medical services group primarily engaged in the provision of endoscopic procedures, including gastroscopies and colonoscopies, and general surgery services with a focus on colorectal procedures across a network of 16 clinics located throughout Singapore.

For more information, please visit HCSS’ website at [www.hcsurgicalspecialists.com](http://www.hcsurgicalspecialists.com).

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