

**HC SURGICAL SPECIALISTS LIMITED**

Incorporated in the Republic of Singapore

Registration No. 201533429G

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**FURTHER UPDATE TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF 11 APRIL 2020**

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*Unless otherwise defined, capitalised terms used in this announcement shall have the same meaning as that in the Company's announcement dated 11 April 2020 in relation to the Straits Times article of 10 April 2020 "Surgeon loses defamation suit as judge upholds woman's claim that he took advantage of vulnerable patients" (the "Announcement").*

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the "**Company**") refers to the Announcement. The Board would like to stress that it is committed to maintaining high levels of professionalism in the services it provides. The Company recognises the gravity of the matters alluded to in the Suit, while understanding the importance for due process to run its course, pending the findings of the SMC's Complaints Committee.

Further to discussions between the Board, the specialists doctors of the Group, including Dr Julian Ong, Dr Julian Ong shall, with immediate effect, prior to any consultation, inform all patients of the matters alluded to in the Suit prior to any consultation and obtain the consent of each patient to act as their physician if they should so agree, save for any emergency consultation.

The Board would like to take the opportunity to reiterate that its doctors have been reminded of their obligations and to maintain a professional code of conduct. The Board will provide further updates, as and when available, in accordance with the requirements of the Catalist Rules.

By Order of the Board

Dr. Heah Sieu Min  
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer  
12 April 2020

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## **About HC Surgical Specialists Limited**

HC Surgical Specialists Limited (the “Company”) was incorporated on 1 September 2015 in Singapore and listed on Catalist of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited on 3 November 2016. The Company, 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 17 clinics located throughout Singapore.

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This announcement has been prepared by the Company and reviewed by the Company’s sponsor, Novus Corporate Finance Pte. Ltd. (the “Sponsor”), in compliance with Rule 226(2)(b) of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited (the “SGX-ST”) Listing Manual Section B: Rules of Catalist.

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