Annex B

About the Benjamin Sheares Professorship in Academic Medicine

The Professorship commemorates the rich medical legacy and distinguished work of the late Dr. Benjamin Sheares and is said to be the first Professorship to be established in his name. Like Dr Sheares, the recipient of the professorship is a role model for Singapore’s younger generation of clinicians and clinician-scientists. The Professorship recognises academic leadership in medical teaching and in forming collaborations with other international centres of excellence, thus advancing new frontiers in medicine.

The search for the Benjamin Sheares Professor started at the end of last year, with the constitution of the Distinguished Professors Selection Committee (DPSC). The selection committee is chaired by Duke-NUS Dean and comprises of senior academics from SingHealth and Duke-NUS. The distinguished recipient will, during the term of the Professorship, pursue advanced research while serving students, patients and the community. The professorship has a rolling fixed term appointment of 5 years, which may be renewed upon mutual consent of the selection committee and the recipient.

“Our family deeply appreciates the effort of the Tote Board, Duke-NUS and the SingHealth Foundation to preserve the rich medical legacy of our late father, Dr Benjamin Sheares, so that it lives on for future generations of clinicians and clinician-scientists, and the Singaporeans whom they will serve,” said Ms Constance Sheares and Dr Joseph Sheares for the Sheares family.