



ALPHA

DIGESTIVE & LIVER CENTRE



MBBS (Singapore), MRCP (UK), MCI (NUS), FRCP (Edin), FASGE (USA), FAMS (Gastroenterology)

Dr Benjamin Yip

Dr Benjamin Yip is an experienced Consultant Gastroenterologist and the Medical Director of the Alpha Digestive & Liver Centre.

Background

Dr Benjamin Yip graduated from the National University of Singapore (NUS) with the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery. He was then conferred Member of the Royal College of Physicians, United Kingdom (UK). He completed his specialist training in General Medicine and, thereafter, advanced specialist training in Gastroenterology and Hepatology at the National University Hospital, Singapore.

Dr Yip was then awarded the Health Manpower Development Plan award to sub-specialise in Advanced Endoscopy at the Royal Free and University College Hospitals in London, UK. During his tenure, he trained with several leading members of the Advanced Endoscopy community. He received training in endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP), endoscopic ultrasound (EUS), Spyglass™ cholangioscopy, deep enteroscopy and enteral dilation/stenting.

Prior to his private practice, Dr Yip served in the public sector for almost two decades. He was appointed Consultant at Khoo Teck Puat Hospital (KTPH) as well as Ng Teng Fong General Hospital (NTFGH). He is currently still a Visiting Consultant at NTFGH.

In recognition of his significant professional contributions to the field of Gastroenterology/Hepatology, Dr Yip was elected Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore and Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh, UK).

Clinical Practice and Expertise

Dr Benjamin Yip sees patients with General Medical as well as Gastroenterology/Hepatology problems. He sees patients of this nature who are acutely ill in the Emergency Department as well as in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and general wards. He also manages these patients in the outpatient clinic setting.

Dr Yip's main interest and joy lies in endoscopy. He regularly performs general endoscopies such as gastroscopy and colonoscopy (both diagnostic and therapeutic). However, his expertise lies in Advanced Endoscopy, where he performs complex endoscopic procedures including ERCP, EUS, deep enteroscopy, Spyglass™ cholangioscopy and enteral dilation/stenting. He was on the call roster for gastrointestinal bleeds as well as ERCP at KTPH and NTFGH.

Dr Yip started the cholangioscopy service at KTPH after his return from Advanced Endoscopy training in the UK. In NTFGH, he was the only specialist doing both ERCP and EUS. In recognition of his dedication to patient care, he was awarded the Alexandra Health Service Champion

Award. He has also served on the Endoscopy and Clinical Devices committees where he helped chart the direction of these services for the hospital. In addition, he was a member of the Chapter of Gastroenterologists, Academy of Medicine, Singapore.

Dr Benjamin Yip's most recent accolade is being awarded the prestigious fellowship degree from the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy or ASGE for short. He was recognised for his contributions not only in clinical endoscopy, but also in endoscopy-related leadership, education and research. He is one of the very few Gastroenterologists in Singapore to be awarded with this degree.

Academics and Research

Dr Benjamin Yip is passionate about clinical research. He enjoys coming up with clinical questions and getting the answers via clinical research. He has presented his work at numerous local, regional and international conferences. He has also published several research articles in peer-reviewed journals.

As a testament to his research capabilities, Dr Yip was awarded the National Medical Research Council MOH Health Research Scholarship to pursue the Master of Clinical Investigation (MCI) degree course conducted in NUS.

Medical Education and Teaching

Dr Benjamin Yip enjoys medical education and the teaching of both undergraduate and postgraduate students. He regularly teaches medical students from both Yong Loo Lin (YLL) and Lee Kong Chian (LKC) medical schools and holds academic appointments in both these institutions. He was also the posting lead for LKC medical students.

Dr Yip was the Associate Programme Director, National Healthcare Group, Gastroenterology Senior Residency Programme. He was actively involved not only in teaching the Gastroenterology trainees but also in planning their curriculum and mentoring them throughout their training. He was also involved in mentoring house officers (interns) in his capacity as a clinical supervisor. In recognition of his dedication to medical education, he was awarded the Yishun Health Teaching Recognition award.

Interests

Dr Benjamin Yip is happily married and blessed with 2 children. He enjoys spending time with his family, especially with his 2 children. In his spare time, he enjoys running regularly and watching movies. He is also a motorcar enthusiast and enjoys reading about the latest car models and going for test drives. Last but not least, he enjoys travelling and relishes planning detailed itineraries for every trip much to the delight of his wife!

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Conditions

Oesophagus

Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD)
Barrett's Oesophagus
Oesophageal Cancer

Stomach/Duodenum

Gastritis/Duodenitis
Peptic Ulcer Disease
Stomach Cancer
Helicobacter Pylori Infection
Functional Dyspepsia

Small Intestine

Malabsorption
Lactose Intolerance

Large Intestine

Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS)
Inflammatory Bowel Disease
Colorectal Polyps
Colorectal Cancer
Piles (Haemorrhoids)
Anal Fissure

Liver

Fatty Liver
Viral Hepatitis
Autoimmune Liver Disease
Liver Fibrosis/Cirrhosis
Liver Cysts

Biliary/Pancreas

Gallbladder Stones
Bile Duct Stones
Bile Duct Strictures (Benign/Malignant)
Pancreatitis (Acute/Chronic)
Pancreas Cysts

Services

Gastroscopy
Colonoscopy
Endoscopic Mucosal Resection (EMR)
Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS)
Endoscopic Retrograde
Cholangiopancreatography (ERCP)
Deep Enteroscopy

Abdominal Scans

US Hepatobiliary System
CT Abdomen/Pelvis
MRI Abdomen
MR Elastography (MRE)

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