

**About the Fellowship**

The Lien Foundation has given its generous support to a major initiative of the Singapore Hospice Council (SHC) to increase medical manpower in palliative care by recruiting and training doctors from abroad. Over a period of five years from 2006, the Lien Foundation will be funding up to four fellowships each year for overseas doctors.

The SHC has been responsible for the administration of the program, including award of the Fellowships and disbursement of funds. This has been taken over by the Lien Centre for Palliative Care since its inception this year. Suitable candidates will be recruited and employed by SHC member organisations, and sponsored for the Fellowships.

**Lien Foundation–APHN Palliative Care Fellowship**

The Fellowship will be offered to selected doctors to be employed on a two-year contract with a local palliative care/hospice organisation. The Lien Foundation–APHN Palliative Care Fellowship funding includes:

- course fee SGD10,000;
- return economy travel expenses SGD1,000;
- monthly stipend of SGD2,500 for the first year;
- annual allowance of SGD6,000 to include housing, medical registration, malpractice insurance, hospitalization insurance and outpatient medical/dental benefits.

The monthly stipend of SGD2,500 and the annual allowance of SGD6,000 for the second year of the Fellowship will be borne by the local hospice employer.

**Terms and conditions of the Fellowship**

The recipients of the Fellowship will be required:

- to apply successfully for registration with the Singapore Medical Council to practise medicine in Singapore under supervision;
- to be employed by a Singapore hospice organisation;
- to successfully complete the Course\*;
- to successfully complete the two-year full-time Fellowship program with a local hospice employer;
- to submit two annual reports on their experience in the Fellowship program including recommendations on improving the scheme.

**Breach of Agreement**

In the event that the Fellow breaches the agreement, he/she must pay back the total cost of the Course Fee plus 10% administrative costs to the Singapore Hospice Council via his/her Sponsor.

The term **Breach of Agreement** aforesaid shall mean and include any or all of the following:

- the Fellow leaving his/her employment during the Course or Bond Period;
- the Fellow dropping out from the Course before the date of its completion;
- the Fellow failing to pass the requisite examinations or assessments;
- the termination of sponsorship by the Sponsor on grounds of the Fellow's misconduct or poor performance.

**How to apply**

Application forms are available at these websites:

- [www.singaporehospice.org.sg](http://www.singaporehospice.org.sg)
- [www.aphn.org](http://www.aphn.org)

All applications for funding must be completed and sent with supporting documents to the APHN Secretariat by 31 August 2008.

Applicants will be notified on the status of their applications. The decision of the Selection Panel is final.

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More information about the Course\* can be found at [www.aphn.org](http://www.aphn.org)

\*Course refers to the APHN Diploma/Graduate Certificate in Health (Palliative Care) of Flinders University.