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A Time for Growth & Renewal

It is with great honour that I take the baton from Mr Yong Chiang Boon, assuming the role of President of Diabetes Singapore. Despite having served on the DS board of committee for many years, the responsibility of serving as President of DS is monumental, and I ask of everyone's guidance and assistance as I embark on this new journey of growth and renewal.

This key change happens to coincide directly with a similar period of growth and renewal in Diabetes Singapore. Apart from a change of some members in Diabetes Singapore's management committee, Diabetes Singapore has had its IPC status renewed for another two years, laying testimony to DS' meticulous governance. DS is also in the midst of finalising its request for a long-awaited additional mobile bus, which will definitely help meet the increasing demand for our services from the Primary Care Networks (PCNs), as well as the upgrading of our current medical equipment.

Furthermore, we have seen notable growth and renewal in outreach efforts. Apart from harnessing our current collaborations with Health Promotion Board, YTL Seraya, Lions Befrienders and Gardenia, we have now made headway into new projects with two People's Association Residents' Committee Centres, and even had our first talk with Singapore Armed Forces. This trend will only accelerate in the next quarter, as we conduct Flag Day on 29 September 2018, and start publicising our Diabetes Preventive Care and Management workshops, which are supported by Council for Third Age's National Silver Academy funding.

In this upcoming period of growth and renewal in Diabetes Singapore, our team remains committed to serving the community by providing support for diabetes care and management through empowering patients, caregivers and the public!

DR KEVIN TAN
President



On 25 September 1971, Dr Frederick Tan Bock Yam founded the Diabetic Society of Singapore (DSS) to help diabetes patients manage their condition. On 1 January 2018, DSS officially changed its name to Diabetes Singapore (DS).

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