

# Chairman's Foreword



A stylized, calligraphic logo consisting of the letters 'H', 'S', and 'A' intertwined in a fluid, cursive script.

HSA has come through its initial birth pangs and now stands poised at a new threshold to pursue its vision to be the leading innovative authority protecting and advancing national health and safety.

To attain global excellence and inspire trust as a world-class scientific organisation and authority, HSA must establish thought leadership across its unique blend of regulatory and scientific expertise. We seek new synergies across the professional knowledge and skills embodied in our critical resource – our people. As we move forward, our focus will also be on forging strong partnerships with key counterparts abroad, leveraging on technology innovation and driving knowledge transfer.

Even as they explore innovative modes of collaborative integration, HSA's three professional groups do face some unique challenges. The Health Products Regulation Group will look to harnessing IT solutions to innovatively stretch the scope of pharmacovigilance, enhance the efficient processing of regulated products to maximise review procedures and minimise delay, and develop new regulations in product areas such as cell therapy and complementary medicine while enhancing the regulation of generic products. The Health Services Group will endeavour to ensure an ongoing, sustainable adequate and safe blood supply to meet Singapore's future needs, embrace technological advancement and innovation, and explore new aspects of cell-processing. The Applied Sciences Group will leverage on technological advancements and scope out new areas that build on its current forensic and analytical science base, such as in the area of chemical metrology.

The challenges we face on our journey forward can be successfully overcome if HSA operates as a united entity and adopts a “can do” mindset across its professional and corporate groups at all levels.

I am more than confident that HSA will not just grow into but will flourish as a regulatory and scientific organisation that embodies intelligence, efficiency, clarity and integrity. It will become an exemplary agency that will not only positively impact the health and safety of Singaporeans, but also world public health.

A handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read "Edison Li". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Edison" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Li".

Professor Edison Liu  
Chairman