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Research Interests:

- Antimicrobial resistance
- Infection prevention and control
- Infectious disease surveillance and epidemiology
- Socio-behavioral and implementation research
- Population health

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Biography

Dr Angela Chow graduated in Medicine from the National University of Singapore, was trained as a Public Health specialist, and obtained a PhD in Epidemiology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Dr Chow had assumed various positions at the Ministry of Health Singapore where she developed national communicable disease surveillance systems and strategies, influenza pandemic preparedness plans, health services development programmes and non-communicable disease interventions.

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Selected Publications

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Notable Research Awards & Grants from Past 5 Years

Name of Awards & Grants	Year Obtained
NMRC Clinician Scientist Award Patient, Physician, and Organizational Factors Influencing Decision-making for Antibiotic Use, and N-of-1 Trials of Interventions to Improve the Decision-making	2019
ALIVE Serious Games Grant (SGG) Antibiotic SteWARdS	2020
One Health Antimicrobial Resistance Research Programme The VALUE of Companion SteWARdS: Understanding the facilitators and barriers to appropriate antibiotic prescribing in veterinary clinics for companion animals in Singapore	2021
NMRC Clinician Scientist Award Different strokes for different folks - Leveraging on community social networks for public health education on antibiotic use and antimicrobial resistance	2023

Translating Research Into Healthcare

S/N	Title of Media Report	Media Source	Publishing Date
1	<p>“Move to let patients get flu, pneumococcal jabs at their designated TTSH specialist outpatient clinic”</p> <p>“TTSH expands scheme for seniors to get flu vaccines without booking or prescription in bid to drive take-up”</p>	The Straits Times, Lianhe Zao Bao, Today Online	15 Dec 2022

2	"Share a bed with your fur kid? Here's what you should know about antibiotic-resistant bacteria"	The Straits Times	1 May 2025
3	"More studies being done to help Singapore residents take charge of their health"	The Straits Times	14 Jun 2025