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Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2025-2027)  
Harvard Kennedy School

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Health Systems and Economics, Harvard University, 2019-2024

Dissertation: “*Essays on the Government and Market in Health Systems*”

M.Sc. in Economics and Econometrics, University of Nottingham (U.K.), 2013-2014 (Distinction).

B.Sc. in Economics, University of Nottingham (U.K.), 2010-2013 (First Class Honors).

### **DISSERTATION COMMITTEE**

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### **RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS**

Primary field: Health Economics.

Secondary fields: Industrial Organization, Development Economics

### **PUBLICATIONS**

LIM, KAI SHEN, WEI AUN YAP, AND WINNIE YIP. [2022], “Consumer Choice and Public-Private Providers: The Role of Perceived Prices”, *Health Economics*, 31(9), 1898-1925.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

**KAI SHEN LIM** "Hospital Allocation and Politicians: Evidence from Malaysia", (In review, World Development).

**KAI SHEN LIM** "Competing Complements in Public-Private Hospital Markets"

## **SELECTED WORK-IN-PROGRESS**

**KAI SHEN LIM** "The Equilibrium Effects of Choice Standardization in Health Insurance: Evidence from Massachusetts"

**KAI SHEN LIM, MARK SHEPARD, AND MYLES WAGNER**, "Strategic Auto-Enrollment and Health Insurance Market Design"

**BOSE, BIJETRI, TERENCE CHENG AND KAI SHEN LIM**, "Word-of-Mouth in Low-Income Health Care Markets"

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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| 2025    | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Mark Shepard, Harvard Kennedy School, <b>Research for Health Economics</b>   |
| 2022-23 | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Terence Cheng, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, <b>Econometrics for Health Policy</b> .                      |
| 2022    | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Winnie Yip, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, <b>Comparative Health Systems I and II</b> .                    |
| 2012    | Teaching Assistant for Prof. Paul Saumik and Wing Leong Teo, University of Nottingham, <b>Introduction to Macroeconomics &amp; Microeconomics</b> . |

## **RELEVANT POSITIONS**

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| 2024-27  | Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Harvard                         |
| 2015, 19 | Consultant, World Bank.                                       |
| 2015-18  | Visiting Scientist, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health |
| 2014     | Consultant, United Nations Development Program                |

## **SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2019      Fulbright Scholarship.  
2014      University of Nottingham M.Sc. Scholarship.  
2010-13    University of Nottingham Dean's List.

## **SKILLS & LANGUAGES**

Python, R, SQL, Julia, Stata, ArcGIS, QGIS, LaTeX  
English (Native), Malay (fluent), Mandarin (basic)  
Other: Jazz Guitar