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Dr. Goh is an Internal Medicine specialist by training, with a PhD in Molecular Biology. She currently practises as an accredited specialist in Palliative Medicine. She is a pioneer of hospice in Singapore, starting as a volunteer in 1986. She helped build several community home care and inpatient hospice services and formed the Singapore Hospice Council. She was awarded the Singapore national award, the Public Service Medal, in 1997 for her contributions to hospice care. In 1999, she started the Department of Palliative Medicine at the National Cancer Centre Singapore, which she headed until 2011. This led to palliative care services being established in all public sector hospitals in Singapore and Palliative Medicine being recognised as a medical subspecialty in Singapore in 2006. She helped establish the Chapter of Palliative Medicine at the College of Physicians Singapore in 2011 and currently chairs the Palliative Medicine Subspecialty Training Committee. Dr. Goh was President of the Pain Association of Singapore from 2001 to 2005 and Founding President of the Association of South East Asian Pain Societies (ASEAPS) from 2004 to 2007. She was a Council member of the International Association for the Study of Pain from 2008 to 2014. Dr. Goh currently chairs the Asia Pacific Hospice Palliative Care Network, legally registered in Singapore in 2001 to support the development of palliative care in the Asia-Pacific region. She is the immediate Past Chair of Worldwide Palliative Care Alliance formed in 2008 to advocate for hospice and palliative care globally.