OUR DOCTORS

Dr Jason Cheng

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Dr Jason Cheng is a fellowship-trained glaucoma specialist with over 15 years of experience. He is a highly skilled surgeon who performs complex glaucoma surgeries including trabeculectomy, tube drainage implants, angle surgery and minimally invasive glaucoma surgery (MIGS).

In addition to his expertise in glaucoma, he is an accomplished cataract surgeon and frequently combines cataract surgery with glaucoma procedures. Dr Cheng serves as the Managing Partner at Vision Eye Institute Hurstville and holds public appointments at Sydney Eye Hospital, St George Hospital and Liverpool Hospital.

Dr Cheng speaks fluent Cantonese and basic Mandarin, enhancing his ability to communicate effectively with a diverse patient population.

BACKGROUND

Dr Cheng received his Bachelor of Science in Clinical Sciences from Imperial College London in 2002, followed by his Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery in 2003. He then held several positions across Australia and the UK, before undertaking his specialist ophthalmology training at Western Eye Hospital and Moorfields Eye Hospital in the UK. Following this, Dr Cheng completed his sub-specialty training in glaucoma through fellowships at the Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital in the UK and Toronto Western Hospital in Canada.

With a passion for education and best-practice ophthalmic care, Dr Cheng has held several prestigious roles at clinical teaching institutions. Prior to moving to Australia, Dr Cheng was a Clinical Lecturer at the National University of Singapore and a Consultant Ophthalmologist in Singapore for three years. His current positions include Senior Lecturer at the University of New South Wales and multiple roles at the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO). These include Board of Ophthalmic Basic Competency and Knowledge (OBCK) examiner and Specialist International Medical Graduate (SIMG) committee member. Additionally, Dr Cheng is a visiting faculty member at the Pacific Eye Institute/Fiji National University. He is also Term Supervisor and MIGS course faculty member at Sydney Eye Hospital.

Dr Cheng has strong research interests – he has been awarded over 14 research grants since 2012 – and has a special interest in improving glaucoma laser and surgery outcomes. He is on the editorial board of the journal *Eye*, the official journal of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists, London, and is on the advisory board of several glaucoma surgery device companies. He is also part of several commercial and multicentre trials as both principal and coinvestigator, as well as authoring multiple scientific articles and book chapters. Notably, Dr Cheng published the first ever randomised controlled trial on the use of iStent (MIGS device) in angle closure glaucoma. He has also co-authored a book on selective laser trabeculoplasty (SLT) in Chinese patients and a children's eye health book entitled *Amazing Amber and Her Lazy Laser Eye*.

Dr Cheng servers as a Board Director of Sight for All, Secretary of the Gateway Committee (APAO) and member of the Global Eye Health Committee (RANZCO). These roles share a common goal of enhancing and developing sustainable international eye care services through policy, education, capacity-building and collaboration. He has also volunteered his services in Indonesia, Vietnam, Ghana, Pakistan, India, Cambodia, Fiji and China through organisations such as the Fred Hollows Foundation NZ, Orbis, Sight For All and China Vision Australia.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Fellow of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists
- Fellow of the Academy of Medicine, Singapore
- Fellow of the European Board of Ophthalmology
- Fellow of the Royal College of Ophthalmology, London
- Member of the American Glaucoma Society
- Member of the Asia-Pacific Glaucoma Society
- Member of the European Glaucoma Society



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AWARDS

- Clinical Dean Teaching Award, University of New South Wales (2020)
- Teaching Excellence Award, National University of Singapore (2015)
- Science-Translational and Applied Research Award (STAR) (2015)
- Health Enabling Award (2015)
- Stephen Drance Award for Excellence in Glaucoma Research, Canadian Ophthalmology Society (team member, 2015)
- Alexandra Health Innovation award (2014)
- Health IT Excellence Award: IT Excellence in Providing Quality of Care, Singapore Ministry of Health (team member, 2014)
- European Board of Ophthalmology Residency Grant (2013)
- Pfizer Fellowship Award, Royal College of Ophthalmologists, London (2012)
- Ethicon Travel Award, Royal College of Ophthalmologists, London (2011)
- Sir William Lister Travel Award Royal College of Ophthalmologists, London (2010)
- Goldberg-Schachmann Award, Imperial College London (2011)

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

- Board Director, Sight For All
- Secretary, Gateway Committee, Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology
- A/Member, Congress Committee, Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology
- Member, Clinical Care Committee, Vision Eye Institute
- Member, Review Panel Scientific Program Committee, RANZCO
- Member, Global Eye Health Committee, RANZCO
- Member, Working Group for Collaborative Glaucoma Care, RANZCO
- MIGS course faculty member, Sydney Eye Hospital
- Board of Ophthalmic Basic Competency and Knowledge (OBCK) Examiner, RANZCO

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