

Singapore health IT CEO wins ASEAN CIO Award

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Singapore: CEO of Integrated Health Information Systems (IHIS), Dr Chong Yoke Sin, has received the Asean CIO Award in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

Singapore's Health Ministry's IT arm, IHIS designs and manages IT systems at all public hospitals, specialty centers and polyclinics. The award was part of the ASEAN CIO-CSO Summit conference organized by IDG ASEAN, in association with Vietnam CEO and CIO Club.

In 2011, IHIS played a key role in four Singapore hospitals becoming the first public institutions in the Asia Pacific region to achieve HIMSS EMRAM Stage 6, an international benchmark for advanced technology used in patient-care.

The award positions KK Women's and Children's Hospital, National University Hospital, Singapore General Hospital and Tan Tock Seng Hospital among the world's best in healthcare-IT.

In 2011, only 3.5 percent of over 5000 US hospitals had achieved the benchmark. In 2012, IHIS and National Neuroscience Institute launched the world's first virtual reality simulation program of daily living activities to better test and train the brain function of patients with early dementia and stroke.