

## A. ECDA FELLOWS PROGRAMME

The ECDA Fellows Programme is one of ECDA's key initiatives to recognise sectoral leaders in the early childhood profession and expand opportunities for them to further develop their careers and to fulfil their aspirations. They are a group of exemplary early childhood professionals with high levels of leadership and professional expertise who work closely with ECDA to drive quality improvements in the sector.

There are currently 29 ECDA Fellows on the programme, including 9 who were newly appointed on 1 Apr 2024.

## B. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. How are ECDA Fellows selected?

ECDA Fellows are appointed based on the following criteria:

- a. Deep expertise in the field of early childhood care and education;
- b. Strong leadership in developing quality practices for the sector and building a culture of professionalism, collaboration, trust and teamwork among the early childhood fraternity; and
- c. Exemplary professionalism that would make them good role models for other early childhood educators.

### 2. How do ECDA Fellows contribute to driving quality improvements in the sector?

ECDA Fellows take on sector-level roles primarily in 3 key areas:

- a. **Professional Development** - e.g. *Leading/facilitating master classes/workshops for EC educators, mentoring/coaching centre leaders and senior educators from other preschools, such as Inquiry Based Action Plan (IBAP);*
- b. **Curriculum Leadership** - e.g. *Guiding preschools in the design of their curricula or in the implementation of key teaching and learning strategies, partnering ECDA and other agencies for resource development; and*
- c. **Sector Partnerships** - e.g. *Inspiring and engaging educators and parents for sector collaboration and development, being the voice of the sector to uplift the professional image of early childhood educators.*

From this year, the ECDA Fellows will also mentor EC leaders in the Professional Development Programme for Leaders (PDPL) to provide deeper and more personalised guidance.

### 3. Why is the ECDA Fellows programme expanded to include professionals from the Early Intervention (EI) and Learning Support (LS) tracks?

The ECDA Fellows programme now includes exemplary leaders from the Early Intervention (EI) and Learning Support (LS) tracks to help integrate early childhood and

early intervention and contribute to the professional growth of leaders in both tracks. This will in turn help support children with developmental and learning needs.

### C. LIST OF ECDA FELLOWS *(In Alphabetical Order)*

1	Ms Alicia Lim	District Head, PCF Sparkletots
2	Mrs Ang-Oh Chui Hwa	Principal, Far Eastern Kindergarten
3	Ms Angeline Goh <sup>*new</sup>	Senior Centre Leader, E-Bridge Pre-School Pte Ltd
4	Ms Ava Wang	Senior Quality Specialist, NTUC My First Skool Limited
5	Mrs Cara Wong <sup>*new</sup>	Director, Academic Services, Early Childhood Development Centre, Little Seeds Preschool
6	Ms Christine Soo	Lead Senior Lecturer, National Institute of Early Childhood Development (NIEC)
7	Ms Cynthia Tan <sup>*new</sup>	Assistant Director, Faculty and Leadership Development, NIEC
8	Mrs Dianne Swee-Seet	Senior Director, Early Childhood Development Centre, Little Seeds Preschool
9	Mrs Elsie Tan-Chua	Principal, Living Sanctuary Kindergarten
10	Dr Geraldine Teo-Zuzarte	Head of School, St Joseph's Institution International Preschool
11	Mrs Hephzi See	Centre Head, MOE Kindergarten@Frontier
12	Mrs J Rajendran Nee G Padhmavathi	Lead Language Specialist, Mother Tongue Languages, PCF Sparkletots
13	Dr Jacqueline Chung	Senior Director (Leadership Development), Anglican Preschool Services
14	Ms Jane Choy <sup>*new</sup>	Head of Operations, MY World Preschool Ltd
15	Ms Janice Leong <sup>*new</sup>	Deputy Director, Early Intervention Services, Rainbow Centre, Singapore
16	Ms Justine Ho <sup>*new</sup>	Lead Learning Support Educator, NTUC First Campus
17	Ms Melissa Goh-Karssen	Senior Lecturer, Early Childhood Education Programme, S R Nathan School of Human Development, SUSS

18	Ms Nagalinggam Thamarai	Senior Cluster Quality Manager, NTUC My First Skool Limited
19	Ms Narayanasamy Kannigadevi	Assistant Director, Development and Care and Special Needs Mentor, Presbyterian Preschool Services
20	Ms Narayanasamy Pushpavalli	Honorary Mentor Principal, Ramakrishna Mission Sarada Kindergarten
21	Ms Ng Shu Ping <sup>*new</sup>	Deputy Director, Human Resource, Anglican Preschool Services
22	Ms Ong Siew Teng	Executive Principal, PCF Sparkletots
23	Ms Pereira Vidya Stella	Cluster Director, The Little Skool-House International Pte Ltd
24	Ms Rita Lim <sup>*new</sup>	Manager, Learning Support, NTUC First Campus Co-operative Limited
25	Ms Seri Rahayu Binte Ariff	Manager for Development & Learning Support, E-Bridge Pre-school Pte Ltd
26	Ms Shirley Tan	Executive Director, Catholic Preschool Education (Singapore) Ltd
27	Ms Stacey Toh <sup>*new</sup>	Cluster Manager, Babilou Family Singapore
28	Ms Sylvia Yeo	Senior Cluster Quality Manager, NTUC My First Skool Limited
29	Ms Zaiton Bte Mohd Ali	Lead Specialist and Head of Iyad, Iyad Perdaus Ltd