Researcher Profile

Name: Adjunct Assistant Professor Patricia Yap-Tan

Present Appointment: Principal Clinical Psychologist

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Research Areas:

- Cross-cultural adaptation, validation, and norming of psychological tests
- Adapting or originating psychotherapy for use in our local context
- Investigating the influence of culture on psychological phenomena, in particular mental health, psychotherapy, and psychological assessment

Teaching Areas:

- Mental health
- Psychotherapy
- Psychological assessment

Awards/Honours (Post-PhD):

National Day Commendation Award

Career History:

- Started career in the clinical track at the Department of Psychology, IMH
- Subsequently, chose to go into the research track
- Passionate about individual, couple and family psychotherapy, standardised psychological assessment, supervision, psychological research, and ethical and scientific reviews of research studies

Administrative Leadership:

- Research lead for the Department of Psychology, IMH
- Chairperson for DSRB Domain F2

Professional/Consulting Activities:

- Abstract reviewer for SHBC
- Judge for Allied Health awards for SHBC

Major Publications:

Yap-Tan, P.M.E.H., & Foo, M.T.S. (2020). Clients' perspectives on therapists who build family and personal harmony. Journal of Family Therapy, 42, 271-290.

Yap, P.M.E.H., & Tan, B.H. (2011). Families' experience of harmony and disharmony in systemic psychotherapy and its effects on family life. Journal of Family Therapy, 33, 302-331.

Elliott, J.M., Tong, C.K., & **Tan, P.E.H.** (1997). Attitudes of the Singapore public to actions suggesting child abuse. Child Abuse and Neglect, 21, 445-464.

Tan, P.E.H., & Bishop, G.D. (1996). Disease representations and related behavioural intentions among Chinese Singaporeans. Psychology and Health, 11, 671-683.