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Research/Innovation Interests:

- Digital health programs
- Innovative models of care
- Chronic Disease Management
- Behavioural Health
- Frailty

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#### **Biography**

Assistant Professor Sabrina Wong is Deputy Director of the Clinical Research Unit at NHG Polyclinics, and the Clinical Director of Primary Care and Family Medicine at the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine. She is also a Senior Consultant Family Physician and a Principal Clinician Scientist. She graduated from the National University of Singapore with an MBBS degree in 2001 and subsequently completed the M.Med (Family Medicine) and Fellowship of the College of Family Physicians. In 2022, she completed a PhD (Medicine) at the Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine focusing on young adults with type 2 diabetes.

Asst Prof Sabrina Wong was awarded the Human Manpower Development Award in 2023, where she completed an attachment at the Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences, University of Oxford. She received the NMRC HPHSR Clinician Scientist Award in 2024, and the NMRC Population Health Grant (Open) in 2025 for the development and evaluation of a digital health coach for weight management in type 2 diabetes. She was also awarded the Singapore Biodesign Faculty Fellowship in 2025.

Currently, she leads multi-disciplinary teams of clinicians and researchers, focusing on development and implementation of innovative and precision approaches to empower people in the community.

#### **Selected Publications**

- Ng XR, Quek IP, Pereira MJ, Molina JA, Ngeow J, Wong SKW. Randomised controlled trial evaluating the impact of different methods of HPV DNA testing for cervical cancer screening in Singapore's primary care settings: a study protocol. BMJ Open. 2025 Mar 24;15(3):e095091. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2024-095091. PMID: 40132819; PMCID: PMC11934401.
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# Notable Research/Innovation Awards & Grants from Past 5 Years

Name of Awards & Grants	Year Obtained
National Healthcare Innovation and Productivity (HIP) Medal 2021: Best	
Practice Medal for "Implementing tele-consultation services for the care of	2021
chronic conditions"	
Singapore Health and Biomedical Congress (SHBC) Singapore Primary Care	
Research Award (Oral) – Silver for "Assessing the association of Support,	
Psychological health, self-efficAcy, illness peRceptions and Knowledge (SPARK)	2021
on self-care behaviors and glycemic control in type 2 diabetes: the SPARK	
study"	
Singapore Primary Care Conference (SPCC) 2023 Oral Presentation – 1st prize	
for "Diet and physical-activity network models in young and usual-onset	2023
diabetes"	
Singapore Health and Biomedical Congress (SHBC) Singapore Primary Care	
Research Award (Oral) – Gold for "The impact of care coaching in improving	2023
outcomes in patients with suboptimal diabetes control"	
NHG Enhanced Population Health Fund (EPHF) for "Patient Activation through	2023
Conversation (PACT) program"	2023
Singapore Cancer Society (SCS) Cancer Research Grant 2023 for "Evaluating the	
impact of self-sampling HPV DNA test for cervical cancer screening in a real-	2023
world setting: a randomised controlled study"	
National Medical Research Council (NMRC) HPHSR Clinician Scientist Award	
(Investigator Category) for "Bringing about Optimal weight loss Outcomes	
through dietary and weight management Support driven by generative	2024
artificial intelligence Technology (BOOST-AI): A pragmatic randomised	
controlled study in type 2 diabetes"	
National Medical Research Council (NMRC) Population Health Research Grant	
(PHRG) Open Category for "An AI weight management program in type 2	2024
diabetes: development, validation and evaluation of the Wabi program"	
Singapore Biodesign Programme Faculty Fellowship	2025
NHIC I2I for "Early Identification of Functional Frailty with CareCam"	2025

## **Translating Research/Innovation Into Healthcare**

- Asst Prof Sabrina Wong shared about Tele-consultations at Health Matters program hosted by CNA938 on 16 Jul 2021
- Chronic conditions, complicated cases: How the healthcare system is helping such patients' featuring Patient Activation through Conversations (PACT) program published on The Straits Times on 10 Nov 2023