

Host



Ms Sun Xueling

Senior Minister of State

Ministry of National Development
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Grassroots Advisor to Punggol GRC

Ms Sun Xueling is currently the Senior Minister of State at the Ministry of National Development and the Ministry of Transport. She previously served as Minister of State at the Ministry of for Social and Family Development from 2020 to 2024, Minister of State in Ministry of Education from 2020 to 2022 and Minister of State for Home Affairs from 2018 to 2024.

SMS Sun is a mother of two happy young girls and has a strong interest in parenting. Her previous portfolio includes area related to preschool education and family policies. She participates regularly in panels discussions on the latest research and pedagogies in parenting and education.

As part of her outreach, she reads books online to parents and children to promote family bonding and instil positive values. She is also author of a published series of children's books.

Speaker



Dr Cheryl Seah

Director,

Centre for Evidence and
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Adjunct Assistant Professor,

Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine,
National University of Singapore (NUS)

Cheryl Seah, PhD, is a developmental psychologist and researcher with expertise in mental health, child development, disabilities, early intervention, caregiver training, and implementation science. With over 20 years of clinical and advocacy experience, she is dedicated to improving the lives of vulnerable children and families. Cheryl has collaborated with teachers, practitioners, and teams across government, social service, hospital, and university settings to strengthen interventions and build skills.

Trained in diagnosing children with special needs, her PhD research focused on attachment and responsive parenting in early childhood. She teaches inclusion at the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) and serves as Adjunct Associate Professor at NUS, supporting intervention design with the BISI team and CHILD Centre.

Speaker



Ms Charlotte Goh

Executive Director,
Playeum

Community Lead,
HundrEDorg

Charlotte Goh is a social worker, educator advocate and lifelong champion of children's wellbeing. She began her career as a Medical Social Worker at KK Women's and Children's Hospital before spending 16 years in the media industry with MPH, ACP Magazines and Singapore Press Holdings, where she developed, among a range of topics, a deep interest in parenting, learning and child development.

Drawn back to the social sector, Charlotte joined the National Volunteer & Philanthropy Centre, where she helped launch Giving.sg and Giving Week. For the past decade, she has served as Executive Director of Playeum, championing the role of play in nurturing children's creativity, confidence, relationships, voice and agency. Charlotte also contributes to global education conversations through her work with HundrED, supporting innovations that foster holistic learning and thriving for every child.