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Associate Professor Lim Poh Lian works as Senior Consultant in the Institute of Infectious Diseases at Tan Tock Seng Hospital, and in the Communicable Disease Division of the Ministry of Health, Singapore, and was Head of the Department of Infectious Diseases at Tan Tock Seng Hospital from 2012 to 2016. In 2016, she was appointed to the UN Global Health Crises Task Force, co-chaired by Dr Margaret Chan (WHO Director-General) and Dr Jim Kim (World Bank President).

Prof Lim has a keen interest in emerging infection outbreaks and biosecurity issues. She moved from Seattle to Singapore in 2003, and received the National Day Commendation Medal and Courage Star awards for her work during SARS. She has been involved in outbreak response and preparedness exercises with Ministry of Health Singapore for a decade, and is active on the WHO Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN) Steering Committee.

Prof Lim received her BA in Biochemistry from Harvard, MD from Columbia, and MPH from Tulane. She holds academic appointments in the LKC School of Medicine, NUS School of Public Health and Faculty of Medicine, chairs the National Antimicrobial Resistance Control Committee (NARCC), and the national ID specialist training committee. Prof Lim also heads up the Travellers' Health & Vaccination Clinic, and sits on the MOH and Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) Expert Committee on Immunization. She is also the Singapore site director for GeoSentinel, a joint surveillance project of the US CDC and International Society of Travel Medicine.