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At the National Center for Infectious Diseases in Singapore, she used mixed methodology to implement and evaluate public health interventions, such as mobile applications for community-based syndromic surveillance of acute respiratory infections, and a HIV self-testing intervention. She also conducted implementation research training workshops for healthcare professionals and served as an adjunct assistant professor at the National University of Singapore.

At the International Digital Health and AI Research Collaborative (I-DAIR) in Switzerland, Dr. Yap co-steered the scientific and technical direction of the organization as its Chief Scientist. In particular, she convened and established a global scientific working group to develop a digitally-enabled, science-based global pandemic preparedness and response scheme, and led on other public health and community-based projects related to citizen science, participatory modelling, anti-microbial resistance, and maternal and child health.

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