

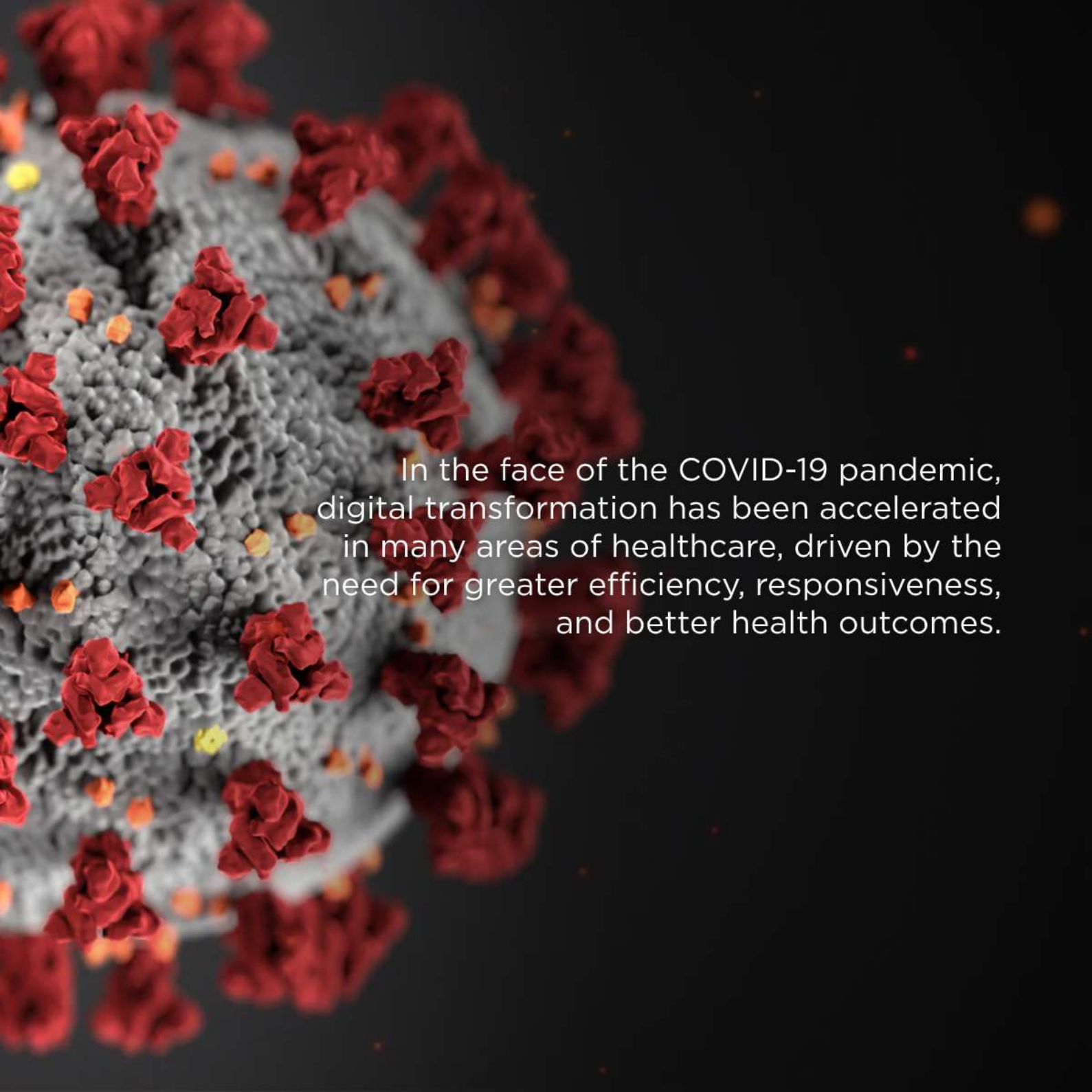


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# THE EXPANDING HEALTHTECH ECOSYSTEM IN SINGAPORE

Powering the race to digital healthcare  
innovation with Interconnection





In the face of the COVID-19 pandemic, digital transformation has been accelerated in many areas of healthcare, driven by the need for greater efficiency, responsiveness, and better health outcomes.

Singapore's response and approach to containing COVID-19 has put itself on the global radar - one where others can learn from.

According to **Dr. Michael Ho, Head of Innovation, National Health Innovation Centre, Singapore,** the country's strong ecosystem of innovation between the public sector and global industries have been to its advantage in developing a collaborative culture of innovation.



“Singapore has all the right ingredients to be a leading, collaborative and innovative healthcare hub. This includes strong IT architectures that glue our system together, creating a safe and connected ecosystem that further spurs innovation and allows great ideas come to fruition even during challenging times.”

**Dr. Michael Ho, Head of Innovation,  
National Health Innovation Centre,  
Singapore**



The background of the image is a microscopic view of tissue, likely stained with hematoxylin and eosin (H&E). The tissue shows a complex, layered structure with numerous small, dark purple-stained nuclei and larger, lighter purple-stained areas. The overall appearance is that of a dense, cellular tissue, possibly a gland or a part of an organ. The staining is uneven, with some areas being more intensely purple than others, and there are some darker, almost black, regions interspersed throughout the tissue.

The value of digital healthcare innovation is enabled by the data that it generates and exchanges. As Dr. Ho has accurately pointed out, these massive amounts of data require direct and secure interconnection to support the digital transformation of our healthcare industry, as well as inter-organizational and cross-border collaborations.



According to **Equinix's Global Interconnection Index Vol. 4**, the Healthcare and Government sector in Asia-Pacific is expected to grow significantly at 48% compound annual growth rate between 2019 and 2023.

This demonstrates the rising demand for the private, secure exchange of data in the healthcare sector that has been fueled by the uptake of data-centric digital initiatives.

Healthcare worldwide is going through a transformation, harnessing new ways to engage and treat patients, collaborate and share patient information.

As Singapore transits into a Smart Nation, every industry including healthcare will require an interconnection-first approach for greater collaboration to present unlimited opportunities for the country.





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