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Dr. Chan graduated from the Faculty of Medicine, University of Hong Kong in 1977. He started his career as a surgeon and was elected fellow of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons of Edinburgh and Glasgow in 1982. He went on to specialize in neurosurgery and in 1986 attained the Specialty Fellowship in Surgical Neurology from the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

He left private practice in 1996 to become CEO of World Vision, an international relief and development organization, in Hong Kong and China. He was later promoted to East Asia Area Director, overseeing World Vision's ministry in 7 Asian countries.

In 2010, Dr Chan retired after 14 years of full time service with World Vision. He returned to private neurosurgical practice while continuing to serve as Board Chair of World Vision China and Board member of World Vision Hong Kong, providing support for WV's ministry in Mainland China and Hong Kong.

During his years of NGO service, Dr Chan studied and attained an EMBA degree from the Kellogg School of management, Northwestern University and the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology; as well as a Doctoral degree in Developmental Sociology from the Graduate School of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences in Beijing.

In 2001, Dr Chan was appointed Justice of the Peace by the HKSAR Government. In 2007, in recognition of his longstanding contribution to serving the poor, Dr. Chan was conferred the degree of Doctor of Social Sciences *honoris causa* by his ala mater, the University of Hong Kong.