Lessons from a pandemic

NCID's research has guided how Covid-19 is managed and prevented in Spore

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The National Centre for Infectious Diseases (NCID) was officially opened last February. Randy Tan, the medical superintendent, recently summarised the lessons learned from the COVID-19 outbreak and underlined the importance of research. "We are fortunate in Singapore to have a national infrastructure that allows us to respond rapidly and to develop new ways of managing the pandemic," he said. The NCID has been a key player in the country's response to the pandemic, providing guidance and information to the public, healthcare workers, and policymakers. This has included developing guidelines for the management of COVID-19 cases, as well as conducting research to understand the virus and its transmission.