NTU medical school to research on healthcare needs of Singapore's ageing population

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Nanyang Technological University's Lee Kong Chian School of Medicine will conduct research focusing on healthcare needs of Singapore's ageing population. -- ST FILE

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