

The Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing

Annual Report 2016-2017

The President's Report

Our Founding Organization is the ‘**Hong Kong Geriatrics Nurses Association**’, which was first established in 1997 by a group of enthusiastic and dedicated gerontological nurses in Hong Kong. The Association was later renamed as the ‘**Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing**’ in January 2010. Since its inception in 1997, the College has provided a wide variety of educational courses, seminars and workshops which are specific to the care of older people with the aims to raise the awareness of carers and healthcare professionals with updated knowledge and specialized practices in the nursing of older people. Moreover, our College has been accredited as a Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) Provider by the Hong Kong Nursing Council since 2006.

The College Mission:

- 1) To strive towards excellence in the provision of quality services to older people in Hong Kong.
- 2) To enhance the knowledge and expertise in gerontological nursing.
- 3) To promote understanding, communications and welfare of nurses working for older people.
- 4) To develop a local identity for Hong Kong nurses who specialized in caring of older people, and
- 5) To direct and initiate continuous gerontological nursing education and research activities.

2017 is a very special year for our College because it marks the 20th Anniversary for the establishment of the Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing. So this year's Annual Scientific Meeting carries special meaning for the College. Similar to last year, we try to broaden the perspective of the conference to include distinguished speakers from a famous local health product industry of Hong Kong, Mr. SZETO Wing Fu, the CEO of the Hung Fook Tong, together with iconic figures in the local elderly care institutes. The speakers had shared the experience how to transform an old style health business becoming a very successful new brand. The Keynote sharing has given us some directions and thought for the future development of gerontological nursing and nurse specialist in Hong Kong. The objective of cross-fertilization and learning from each other among participants from various sectors and localities has been achieved by all your active participation in the meeting.

I would like to take this opportunity to send my deepest gratitude to thank our devoted Council Members for their wonderful support to the College.

HKCGN 20th Anniversary

Anders YUEN
President (2016-2018)
Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing

Introduction

The Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing Limited (HKCGN) operates as a voluntary and non-profit making professional organization to strive towards excellence in the provision of quality services for older people in Hong Kong.

It aims to fulfil this mission through four objectives:

- ✚ To enhance the knowledge and expertise in gerontological nursing.
- ✚ To promote understanding, communications and welfare of nurses working for older people.
- ✚ To develop a local identity of gerontological nurses, and
- ✚ To initiate and develop continuous gerontological nursing education and nursing research.

Membership of College Council and Committees

The membership of the College Council 2016-2018 composes of 18 members, including one President, three Vice-Presidents, two Honorary Secretary, two Honorary Treasurers, and ten Council Members. Within the HKCGN, there are 5 major committees, each represented by a convenor and its members. These include the Accreditation Committee, Education Committee, Professional Development Committee, Promotion and Public Relations Committee and Registration and Membership Committee.

HKCGN Council 2016-2018

President	Mr. YUEN Chi Man, Anders	
Vice Presidents	Ms. HO Kam Yee, Joan Dr. LOW Lisa Pau Le Ms. LEE Siu Ching, Patricia	Convenor, Education Committee
Honorary Secretary	Ms. LEUNG Yin Ling, Ruth Ms. CHENG Po Po, Peggy	Convenor, Registration & Membership Committee
Honorary Treasurer	Dr. LAW Po Ka, Noble	
Members	Ms. CHAN Sau Kuen, Becky Prof. Enid Kwong Ms. HO Shuk Kuen, Sabrina Ms. LUK Po Chu, Bella Ms. MAK Po Kit, Flora Ms. PANG Chui Ping, Phyllis Dr. PAU Mei Lin, Margaret Dr. SIU Lai Sheung, Katherine Mr. TSANG Kam Wing, Edwin Dr. YUEN Yuet Sheung, Carol	Convenor, Professional Development Committee Convenor, Accreditation Committee Convenor, Promotion & Public Relations Committee

Terms of Reference of Committees

Accreditation Committee

1. To establish, monitor and enforce the standards of the HKCGN.
2. To recommend to the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (HKAN) the criteria and procedures for accreditation HKCGN to be an Academy College.
3. To work closely with the HKAN Council in undertaking the accreditation processes and to address the recommendations.
4. To make policy recommendations to the HKAN Council in respect of the standard of specialist gerontological nursing practice and education.
5. To keep under review the existing policy and process of accreditation of HKCGN, and to make recommendations to the HKAN Council for improvements when required.

Education Committee

1. Coordinate and monitor the programmes of postgraduate education and training and continuing nursing education.
2. Develop specialty training program curriculum for admission of Fellow in the HKCGN.
3. Prepare Membership Certification Examination.
4. Report to HKAN Education Committee on matters related to the curriculum requirements for accreditation.

Professional Development Committee

1. To review the domain of specialist nursing practice.
2. To develop the Code of Professional Conduct and Code of Ethics for specialist nursing practice in accordance with international standard.
3. To identify the trends in specialist nursing practice and education.
4. To identify the overall cross-specialty continuing educational needs of nursing specialists and to organize courses/programs for related continuing specialist nursing education and research in collaboration with concerned parties.
5. To identify strategies to prepare for future developments including health care services delivery and professional development needs.
6. To advise and recommend to the Council on guidelines, frameworks and policies relevant to advanced nursing practice and advanced practice nurses.
7. To advise on college examination and certificate policy.
8. To approve recognized training programs and training institutes.

Registration and Membership Committee

1. To assess the applications for entering the Associate/ Associate Fellow/ Fellow membership and to recommend approval or rejection of these applications.
2. To assess the applications for recertification into the Associate/ Associate Fellow/ Fellow membership and to recommend approval or rejection of these applications.
3. To assess the applications for the restoration of names to the Associate/ Associate Fellow/ Fellow membership and to recommend approval or rejection of these applications.
4. To update the Fellow membership list to the Academy of Nursing in order to recommend approval or rejection of these applications.
5. To consider the various matters relating to the granting the Fellow membership to the applicants.

Promotion and Public Relations Committee

1. To foster a positive image of the College to professionals & the public.
2. To plan ongoing activities of public relations via College activities, and if necessary, the media (e.g. issuing press release).
3. To clarify view points of the College to relevant parties with endorsement from the Council.

Committees Reports

Education Committee

2017 was the 20th Anniversary of the HKCGN. Since its inception, the provision of quality educational courses and seminars for the advancement of professional gerontological nursing has been one of the core values of our College. Through the organization of our Journal Club Sharing Seminars, workshops and conjoint educational programs with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology as well as the Annual Scientific Meeting, geriatrics nurses have been enriched with knowledge and were updated with new trends in gerontological care developments. On 8th April 2017, a 2-day tour was organized to visit hospital and elderly care facilities in Macau. It was a fruitful experience and participants showed great appreciation to the warm hospitality of the various institutions. The Curriculum for Specialty Training Program in Gerontological Nursing has been prepared for submission to the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing.



Professional Development Committee

The PDC has worked with the Education Committee to compile the Curriculum for Specialty Training Program in Gerontological Nursing in order to fulfill the criteria for Re-accreditation as an Academy College on or before the end of 2017 if the College wishes to continue being an Academy College of the HKAN in 2018. The College has also participated in some public health education materials in the form of a health tip for a health promulgation project.



Promotion and Public Relations Committee

Two Newsletter Issues were published in 2014, namely the July and December Issues. For each Issue, more than 1500 copies were produced and distributed to health professionals and carers for the elders via hospital settings, NGOs and residential care homes for the elderly.

The College Newsletter serves as platform for the health professionals and carers for the elders to share their successful collaboration projects and excellent updates of their current nursing practice innovations striving to increase efficient and effective nursing practice in elder care.

The theme of 2017 World Health Day campaign is 'Depression'. To echo the World Health Organization's health initiatives, game booth was manned by the Council members and volunteers to promote the public's awareness of the importance of mental health on 8 April 2017 in Tuen Mun Civic Square.



Registration and Membership Committee

By the end of June 2017, HKCGN has 69 Fellow Members who have successfully completed their renewal process. According to our record, 29 Fellow Members did not renew their membership due to various reasons such as retirement, change of working position and emigration. In the coming future, HKCGN would support all eligible HKCGN members who have fulfilled the College's admission criteria to register as Ordinary members, and to apply for Fellow Member by completing a series of education program, examination and supervised practice in an area of specialization in a training site accredited by the Hong Kong Academy Nursing.



Accreditation Committee

A large part of its work has been to work closely with the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing in understanding the requirements and to prepare the submission of a self-study report to apply for accreditation as an Academy College. The Committee has also been busily involved in the College's own Continuing Nursing Education workshops and seminars.

College Educational Activities

Through the College's commitment to deliver Continuing Nursing Education programmes and educational activities, the HKCGN has been very active this year and have carefully selected activities that can address a range of issues pertaining to the health, care and well-being of older people and their family members. Continuous Nursing Education points were awarded to participants after successful completion. A summary of the activities conducted are summarized below.

Pain Management for Older Adults: Multi-disciplinary Approach

This was a seminar conducted in joint collaboration with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology on 20 Oct-24 Nov 2016. The seminar involved sharing of experiences from multidisciplinary health care disciplines in the area of pain management for the older persons.

9th Journal Club Sharing: Senior-Friendly Care in Hospital

Ms. Joan Ho, the General Manager of Nursing of the Tseung Kwan O Hospital, gave a talk on the 'Senior Friendly Care in Hospital' and shared her valuable experiences in the seminar on 12 Dec 2016.

CNE Update Course in Wound Care Management 2016

This was a CNE update course that was jointly organized with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology from 1-22 Dec 2016. Four Nurse Consultants in Gerontology and Wound Care shared their expertise in wound management which covered a broad range of topics in wound care.

CNE Update Course: Management of Nutritional Issue and Related Problems in Older Adults

Another CNE update course was also jointly organized with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology. A number of experienced speakers conducted the course from 3 Mar to 7 Apr 2017.

CNE Update: Medication Safety Training Program

This CNE update course was a joint-handed program with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology. Again, a number of experienced speakers conducted the program from 13 Mar to 24 Apr 2017.

10th Journal Club Sharing: Clinical Update of Nursing Intervention on Chronic Leg Ulceration in Older Adults

Ms. Lee Man Ying, the Nurse Consultant of New Territory East Cluster, Hospital Authority, gave a talk on the update management of chronic leg ulceration for older adults in the seminar on 20 Mar 2017.

CNE Update Course: Counselling & Communication with Elders & Family Members

This CNE update course was co-organized course with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology. Fruitful sharing from various speakers was held from 3-31 July 2017.

CNE Update Course: Common Mental Health Problems in Geriatric Patients in Clinical Settings: Dementia, Delirium & Depression

This was another successful course that was co-organized with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology on 24 May to 28 Jun 2017.

HKCGN 20th Anniversary Scientific Meeting cum AGM 2017 ‘Gerontological Nursing: Past, Present & Future’

The College’s Annual Scientific Meeting was held on 28 May 2017 and marked the celebration of the College’s 20th Anniversary. We were delighted to invite a distinguished speaker, Mr. Szeto Wing Fu, the CEO of Hung Fook Tong, to share his experiences of transforming an old style health business to becoming a very successful brand. This Keynote Speech sharing has given us some directions and thoughts for the future development of gerontological nursing and nurse specialists in Hong Kong.

11th Journal Club Sharing: End of Life Care: “Care in Place – Dying at Home

Ms. Chiu Ho Nee Connie, the Chief Operating Officer of the Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care, gave a talk on the end-of-life care and shared her valuable experiences in the seminar on 19 Jun 2017.

CNE Update Course: Nursing Management of Skin and Related Problems in Geriatric Patients

This CNE update course was another joint endeavour with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology and was held on 11 Aug-1 Sept 2017.

Pain Management for Older Adults: Multi-disciplinary Team Approach

This repeated CNE update seminar was conducted in joint collaboration with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology 14 Sept-26 Oct 2017.

12th Journal Club Sharing: New Public Policy in dealing with Community Support for Older Adults

Ms. Luk Po Chu Bella, the Executive Director of Helping Hand delivered a talk on the new policy and shared her valuable experiences in the seminar on 25 Sept 2017.

CNE Update Course in Wound Care Management 2017

This joint-handed CNE update course was conducted in collaboration with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology on 2-23 Nov 2017. Four Nurse Consultants in Gerontology and Wound Care shared their expertise in wound management.

13th Journal Club Sharing: Ageing Family Caregivers and Ageing Adults with Intellectual Disability: Issues arising from a Hong Kong Study

Dr. Lisa Low, the Associate Professor of the School of Health Sciences, Caritas Institute of Higher Education shared her recent findings of a recently completed research project of ageing family members of ageing older adults with intellectual disability on 18 Dec 2017.

Financial Report

Douglas CPA (Practising) Limited
Certified Public Accountants, Hong Kong

The Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing Limited

Reports and Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2016

The full financial report composing of

- Director's Report
- Independent Audit's Report
- Statement Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
- Statement of Financial Position
- Statement of Changes in Equity
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Notes to the Financial Statements

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the College's affairs as at 31st December, 2016 and of its surplus and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

Approved and authorized by the Board of Directors on 12 May 2017.

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