

The Hong Kong College of Gerontology Nursing

Annual Report 2014

The President's Report

Time passes so quickly and I would like to take this opportunity to update with you some of our College's achievements.

In light of the establishment of the Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing and to truly reflect the enhanced core missions and roles as one of the Academy Colleges, we have further modified and fine-tuned our College Fellowship Programme Outlines in 2013. With this programme outlines, we are able to enhance incorporation of our specialised clinical knowledge and experience into efficient and effective nursing practices in elder care. We are delighted to announce that 46 Fellows are additionally admitted as our College Founding Fellows and we had also participated in "The Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing Annual Fellowship Conferment Ceremony" on 10 May 2014.

In meeting with the ever-challenging health care system and the complex community environment, we have invited Dr Felix CHAN, Member of the Elderly Commission, as our Keynote Speaker and shared his foresight with us on "Collaboration in Aged Care" at our 7th Annual Scientific Meeting on June 29th 2013. This year our Scientific Meeting has received an overwhelming response of approaching 70 participants. In the event, our Fellows and members have also shared their successful collaboration projects and excellent updates of their current nursing practice innovations.

We have collaborated with the 'Abbott' to conduct the Seminar on Management of Malnutrition in Older Persons on 23rd January 2013 with more than 110 College Members participated.

During 2013, we have also collaborated with the '廣東省省護理教育中心' to organize their first Gerontology Nurse Specialist Certificate Training Course for the nursing colleagues of Guangdong province. Such course was successfully held with more than 70 nurse specialist graduates.

May I also like to take this opportunity to send my deepest gratitude and thank all our devoted Council Members for their wholehearted support to the College and brilliant, outstanding works in past years.

With that I end my report.

Anders YUEN

12th May 2014

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.
- ✚ To initiate and develop continuous gerontological nursing education and nursing research.

Membership of College Council and Committees

The membership of the College Council 2012-2014 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 2012-2014

President	Mr. Anders YUEN	
Vice Presidents	Ms. Joan HO Dr. Lisa LOW Ms. Ivy TANG	Convenor, Professional Development Committee Convenor, Accreditation Committee Convenor, Promotion & Public Relations Committee
Honorary Secretary	Ms. CHAN Mei Wai Ms. Peggy CHENG	Convenor, Registration & Membership Committee
Honorary Treasurer	Dr. Noble LAW Ms. Bella LUK	
Members	Ms. Connie CHU Ms. Alice HON Ms. Regina IP Ms. Patricia LEE Ms. LEUNG Yin Ling Ms. Flora MAK Dr. Margaret PAU Ms. Rebecca POON Dr. Katherine SIU Dr. Carol YUEN	Convenor, Education Committee Convenor, Professional Development 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

Accreditation Committee

A large part of its work has been to work closely with the Provisional Academy of Nursing of Academy 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.

Education Committee

The Specialty Training Program Curriculum in Gerontological Nursing has been prepared. Feasibility of clinical practicum in various local training centers will be further explored in the future. Moreover, representative of council member attended "Multiple-choice Questions Writing Workshop" which is organized by the PHKAN.

Professional Development Committee

Under the PDC, we established 'HKCGN Journal Club Subcommittee' in August 2014 with the aims to enhance the knowledge and expertise in gerontological nursing, and to promote evidence-based practice and research. We have conducted the Journal Club Meeting quarterly with the first meeting kicked off in Nov 2014. Subsequent meetings have been carried out. The topics shared and discussed included:

1. Contemporary Care on Continence.
2. Dementia Care: Personhood and Wellbeing - Early Awareness of Major Neuro-cognitive Disorder Related to Lifestyle.
2. Evidence-based Practice in Nutritional Care - A Practical Screening Approach to Detect Malnourished Elders; Nutrition in Elderly with Mild Cognitive Impairment.
3. End-of-Life Care for Older People - Preferences in End-of-Life Care of Older People; Sharing of End-of-Life Care in Taiwan.
4. Latest Development in Gerontological Nursing, Research Perspectives: From Acute to Long-term Management.

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.

Registration and Membership Committee

The HKCGN have 98 fellow members successfully completed their renewal process. According to the record, 6 fellow members fail to renew their membership due to various reasons, such as retirement, change of working post and immigrate to other country. 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 apply for Fellow member by going through 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.

College Educational Activities

Through the College's commitment to operate Continuing Nursing Education programme and educational activities, the HKCGN has been very active and carefully selected activities that can address a range of issues pertaining to the health, care and well-being of older people. A summary of the 2014 activities are summarized below.

HKCGN 8th Scientific Meeting cum AGM 2014 “Strength and Opportunity for Elderly Healthcare”

Professor Sophia Chan, under Secretary for the Food & Health Bureau, HKSAR was invited as the Keynote Speaker at the event. Ms. Alice Chiu, Accreditation Officer from the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology, was also invited to speak. There were also free paper presentations and poster presentations.

Nutrition & Healthy Aging: Improving Muscle & Cognitive Health

The HKCGN co-organized a seminar with Abbott and the Hong Kong Geriatrics Society. In this event, Dr. Jean-Pierre Michel, the Honorary Professor of Medicine, Geneva Medical School and University Hospitals, Switzerland Past President, European Union Geriatric Medicine Society presented the above seminar.

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

This is the first series of CNE update course which is jointly organized with the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology. Renowned speakers were invited to share their knowledge and expertise.

Sharing on Contemporary Continence Care for the Elderly

Ms. CHAN Sau Kuen, KEC Nurse Consultant (Continence) and Dr. WONG Kar Yan Alice, Assistant Professor, School of Nursing at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University presented inspiring talks at the sharing sessions.

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 2014

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, 2014 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.

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