



Annual Report 2012

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The President's Report

In our first Annual General Meeting I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Founding Council Members for their dedication and hard work in making the Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (PHKAN) a reality.

The PHKAN is to establish the Academy of Nursing which is to promote excellence in nursing and health care through regulating specialist nursing practice and education in Hong Kong. Being extended from the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing Preparatory Committee (HKANPC) from 2006, we had been through several milestones and was incorporated on 6 October 2011.

The Founding Members had its first meeting on 9 November to establish the Council and confirmed the office bearers and committee chairs. We had 9 Council meetings and achieved many major tasks through the Committees, Secretariat and the Fellow members. Below are the achievements that laid a solid foundation for the PHKAN Council to take on further.

Operation Handbook

The handbook provides details how the PHKAN operates with its mission, objectives and functions; structure, membership and academy colleges. It is the work extended from HKANPC to PHKAN.

Pursuance for Charitable Status

Before incorporation, application to Inland Revenue Department for the charitable status under IRD 88 had been made. Unfortunately it was turned down. With reference from HKAM, we had asked for reconsideration and the result was pending.

Academy Colleges

Through the work of Accreditation Committee, 14 Colleges were given 1 year of provisional accreditation in March 2012. They will continue to work towards the full accreditation by March 2013.

Admission of Fellows

On 12 May, 1496 advanced practice nurses from 14 Colleges were admitted as Fellows under the grandfathering scheme. 8 Honorary Fellows were also conferred as recognition to their contribution to the establishment of PHKAN and enhancement of the nursing profession in Hong Kong.

Community Involvement

One of the objectives of PHKAN is to improve the health of citizens. Organized activities on the World Health Day in April had brought together all the specialties in promoting health in Shatin Plaza. A charter on tobacco control will be made to set collaborative platform for better health.

Newsletter and Website

Thanks to the secretariat, 4 issues of Newsletters had been made to provide update information to our members. The website will be revamped soon.

Visits, Forums and Seminars

Apart from the 17 Roadshows organized before PHKAN, visit to HKAM, open forums were held for CE Candidates, M&A, accreditation of Colleges, seminars were also arranged for IT management and Ethics in healthcare.



Dr. LUM Shun Sui, Susie



Committees Report

Accreditation Committee

Under the leadership of Mr. Frederick Yeung, the work of the Accreditation Committee (AC) has been enormous. Before the formal set up of the AC, a preparatory meeting was held on 10 December last year to set the timeline and work plan for the accreditation of Academy Colleges. In the 4 AC meetings, discussions were made on the criteria of an Academy College, the accreditation process and recently, the development of an Accreditation Manual.

In the AC, all Colleges were represented. They are actively involved in the accreditation process and contributed to the content of the Accreditation Manual. In the coming months, the AC Members will work towards the full accreditation of the Academy Colleges.



Registration & Membership Committee

The Registration and Membership Committee (R&MC) is chaired by Ms. Susan Law with members from Colleges of Midwives, Nursing Management, Medical and Perioperative Nursing. Although the group was small, they worked efficiently to delineate the designation of all the Colleges and their subspecialties. Application for Fellowship under the Grandfathering scheme was designed and processed by the R&MC. In early 2012, over 2500 applications were reviewed and 1496 Fellows were supported. With the new logo, the application form has been revised and the next batch of Fellow application will be closed on 31 December 2012.

Apart from the Fellow application, the R&MC also designed the Fellowship certificates, issued the confirmation letter and develop the database for membership. With the help from a nurse volunteer, a database using MS Access was established for all members and for each College. Now the system is being updated with members' information.



Professional Development Committee

The Professional Development Committee (PDC) is chaired by Dr. Esther Wong. Members are nurse leaders from universities, private and public hospitals, and nurse clinicians. Terms of Reference of the PDC were reviewed and thoroughly discussed. At the moment, the PDC are soliciting views of all academy colleges on the guiding principles for Continuing Nursing Education. Besides, all colleges are in the process of working out the APN competency framework of their own specialty. In order to devise the Scopes and Standards of Advanced Nursing Practice, PDC will make reference to the revised document of HK Nursing Council on Scope and Standards of registered nurses which would be ready in Q4 this year.

In the pursuance of a CNE provider, PDC has organized seminars to enhance members' knowledge. Two seminars are being organized and the response had been overwhelming. The first seminar was held on 31 July, the topic was "How health management changes IT vs IT changes health management" delivered by Dr. C P Wong. The second seminar will be held on 27 September, and the topic would be "Ethical and Professional Conduct for health care professionals" by Prof. Joseph Sung. Collaboration has also been made with Guangdong Nurses Association. Some of the College Presidents had joined the Forum on advanced practice in GD on 31 August 2012.



Towards a Statutory Academy of Nursing in Hong Kong

We have had a very successful inauguration of the PHKAN and its Academy Colleges in May and now we have just finished printing the certificates for distribution to the Fellow Members. Our next important step forward will be towards the establishment of a Hong Kong Academy of Nursing with statutory status dedicated to advance the nursing profession for a better and healthier Hong Kong. In the past months, the President and Vice Presidents have been organizing meetings with stakeholders and making plans with Council Members to achieve this goal. Meetings had been held with AHKNS on 10 May and NGU on 23 August.

Recently, the Council had meeting with Dr. W M Ko, Secretary for Food and Health, and his team in the new Government Office on 10 September. Advises were sought and we would continue the dialogue with the Bureau in the pursuance of drafting an ordinance for the Academy of Nursing.

臨時護專 料5年內「坐正」

【本報訊】本港護士趨向專科發展，去年註冊的臨時香港護理專科學院（護專）表示，已為轄下逾10個護理專科訂定評核基準，相信可在新一屆政府任期內完成立法，成為評定護理專業資格的法定機構。

下屆政府任期 完成立法

臨時香港護理專科學院院長林崇經表示，學院已準備好「坐正」，會考慮利用私人草案形式呈交立法會，或由新一屆政府主動提出。「曾經與候任特首梁振英談及此事，獲對方表示支持，而我們日後亦會爭取立法會議員及政黨支持，有信心在未來一屆政府完成。」

臨時香港護理專科學院現時設有14個護理專科分院，包括心臟科、急症科、精神健康科及骨科等。鑑於近年本港婦產服務需求強勁，故學院亦設有助產士科及兒科。每個分院均設4項門鑿，其中護士（Fellow）要求

是本港註冊護士，擁有15年專科經驗，以及在專科領域有傑出成就或學術研究，但亦可通過考試獲得資格。

資歷認可 作聘高職指標

林表示，護士管理局只負責普通科護士註冊，本港專科護士的資歷至今仍未有法定機構統一及承認，護專的成立就是為了填補這方面的不足。她估計護專的專科資歷認可，日後將成為醫療機構招聘高級職位的指標。

護專亦會向1,496名護士頒授首屆專科護士資格。護專副院長黃金月表示，今次共收到逾2,000個護士資格申請，證明院校獲業界認同。她說，首屆考試將於2014年舉行，指現時制定的評審標準已足夠嚴謹，不擔心立法前所頒授的資歷會遭人非議。

護專已訂定5,000萬元籌款目標，以設立專科大樓，學院暫時會以瑪嘉烈醫院作為臨時辦公室。

Meeting with NGU

To sustain effective communication with our nursing colleagues, we had met with the Hong Kong Nurses General Union on 23 August. Dr. Lum gave a presentation of the PHKAN and we had a good exchange of the future development of advanced nursing practice in Hong Kong

Meeting with Secretary for Food & Health



Task Force for Private Member's Bill

To be a statutory body, we need to pass a bill for the regulation of advanced practice nurse in Hong Kong. In discussion with Mr. Lester Huang, our legal advisor and our Legislative Councilor, Dr. Joseph Lee, the submission of a Private Member's Bill will be a fast track option. The process may not be easy and the expense could be enormous. Nevertheless, the Council is committed to its endeavor with a task force dedicated to drafting the ordinance, gaining supports from the government, our nurses as well as other colleagues. The first meeting will be held soon

Meeting with AHKNS

