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Message from President

The COVID-19 pandemic poses unprecedented challenges to the health of people locally and internationally. Nurses have worked days and nights to keep our commitment in delivering high-quality care to people in Hong Kong. Once again, I would like thank 'all nurses' from the bottom of my heart for your hard work, thoughtfulness, dedication and compassion during such a difficult time.



The HKAN has consistently contributed to fighting against the pandemic through various means, including operating vaccination centres and stations. After closing the Hong Kong International Airport Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) on 28 September 2021, the Boundary Street Sport Centre CVC was moved to a bigger site on 30 October 2021. To increase our contributions, three more vaccination sites including Caritas Medical Centre Vaccination Station, Ruttonjee Hospital Vaccination Station and Lai Chi Kok Park Sports Centre CVC have started/will start to operate by HKAN from 18 October, 10 December and 31 December 2021 respectively. In addition, HKAN is honoured to be awarded by the Department of Health to provide quality assurance service on specimen collections in designated quarantine hotels, designated quarantine facilities, and quarantine centres. We are committed to supporting the Department of Health in identifying areas for improvement in the quality control mechanism and providing recommendations for the enhancement of performance of the aforesaid services.

In order to further enhance clinical learning, HKAN continues the ongoing dialogue and communication with the Hospital Authority (HA) regarding having the Guided Clinical Practice at HA workplaces to be now offered to all specialties of our Colleges. With our Fellows playing a 'mentor' role, the Ordinary Members of HKAN would have the clinical hands-on learning opportunities in all specialties in HA hospitals. This golden learning opportunity is essential to equip

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Honorary Professional Consultants Ms. Civy S.K. LEUNG Dr. Susanna W.Y. LEE Ms. Helena Y.L. LI advanced practice nurses with specialty competencies to serve people in Hong Kong and beyond. As the President of HKAN, I had attended the Policy Address Consultation Session (Health) and had sent a proposal to the Chief Executive in preparing the 2021 Policy Address. The HKAN fully supports the Government to legislate to make continuing professional education a mandatory requirement for healthcare professionals. To facilitate nurses fulfilling the Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) requirements, HKAN has been committed to providing specialty related courses and workshops regularly. Moreover, self-study materials for CNE in various specialties as well as general nursing are also available on the HKAN website for public access. In addition, to concur with the Government's strategy on primary healthcare development, HKAN will continue to prepare nurses working at an advanced level in various community and primary healthcare settings through specialty nursing education.

The HKAN had supported Dr. CHAN Chi Chung to run for the 2021 LegCo Election – Medical & Health Services Constituency on 19 December 2021. On behalf of the Council, I would like to thank every one of you for your trust and support in this exercise. Though Dr. Chan was not elected, HKAN has gained significant attention from the public, and our visions in enhancing Hong Kong's healthcare system and supporting allied health professional development have been well disseminated. The commitment and contribution of Dr. Chan and his election team in this election exercise have also been well recognised and appreciated.

The HKAN continues to strive for excellence through preparing high-quality specialty nurses to meet the challenges ahead. On top of our planned educational activities, we also formed the Task Force for Educational Development in November 2021 to identify and develop strategies to facilitate advanced practice development in Hong Kong. With the efforts and contributions of all our Colleges, the relevant core competencies of the 16 specialties were endorsed by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong (NCHK). These core competencies have been used in the Voluntary Scheme on Advanced and Specialised Nursing Practice exercise. Other than the development of advanced nursing

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practice, the HKAN also actively communicated with NCHK to explore the competency level of nursing graduates with reduced clinical practicum hours during the pandemic through research. The suggestions are now under discussion.

The HKAN continues to promote the roles of advanced nursing practice to the public through radio interviews, publications in newspapers and websites, and videos posting on social media platforms. Since January 2021, a total of 27 related articles have been published under the column of '護專世代 — 健康版' in the Hong Kong Economic Journal (信報); 15 Academy Colleges were interviewed by RTHK's Healthpedia (精靈一點); and 12 '專科護理 3分鐘' videos have been posted on YouTube, Facebook and Instagram. The HKAN will continue to produce high-quality reports and educational materials to promote advanced nursing practice through various social media platforms in the upcoming year.

In order to have a more comprehensive view in guiding HKAN's development, we are delighted to welcome the following new members representing the Department of Health and the Hospital Authority to join the Council of HKAN as 'in-attendance' members: Ms. LEUNG Yee Wa, Senior Nursing Officer of the Department of Health; and Dr. TONG Wah Kun Danny, Senior Manager (Nursing)/Principal Nursing Officer, Hospital Authority.

Thank you once again for all your contributions to the development of advanced nursing practice and the promotion of individual and community health. We are so thankful to all of you for doing and contributing so much especially during this difficult time.

Happy New Year.

Prof. CHAIR Sek Ying

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President, The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing

Ms. MA Po King Janice, President of Hong Kong College of Paediatric Nursing, succeeded as Institutional Council Member

It is my great honor to be elected as the President of HKCPN effective from 17th July 2021 for the term 2021-2023.

I would like to express my sincerely gratitude to our former presidents Ms. Gloria Luk and Dr. Susanna Lee for their dedication and continuous commitment to professionalism and excellence which have made the HKCPN a widely recognized nursing body. We now have about 300 Fellow and members comprising paediatric



nurses from both the public and private sectors in Hong Kong with specialty in various disciplines including child and adolescent health, paediatric oncology, paediatric intensive care, neonatal intensive care and school health.

As the third president, I will continue to do my best to achieve the vision of HKCPN:

- 1. Strive for excellence in achieving safe and quality health care
- 2. Promote advanced nursing practice
- 3. Enhance collaboration with local and international partners
- 4. Cohere our Fellow members and nurture our young fellows



MA PO King, Janice RN, RM, BSN and MPH,

FHKAN(Paediatrics) and FHKAN (Nursing & Health Care Management) President, The Hong Kong College of Paediatric Nursing

Mr. TO Hoi Chu, President of Hong Kong College of Surgical Nursing, succeeded as Institutional Council Member



There are different roles to play at different stages of life, now I have come to a new role as a Council Member of the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing. I am happy to join this vibrant team to work together for the promotion and development of Advanced Practice Nursing. I hope to extend interactions between Hong Kong College of Surgical Nursing and the Academy to promote the development of Advanced Practice Nursing more effectively, which can ultimately benefit patients, nurses, and Hong Kong's healthcare system.

TO Hoi Chu RN, BHS (Nursing), MNurs, FHKAN (Surgery - UROL) President, The Hong Kong College of Surgical Nursing

Ms. TSANG Siu Ling, President of Hong Kong College of Midwives, succeeded as Institutional Council Member

There It is my honour to be elected as the President of Hong Kong College of Midwives (HKCMW) in August 2021 and joined the Hong Kong Academy of Nursing as a council member.

The word "Midwife" comes from Old English, "mid" means "with" and "wif" is "woman". Midwife is a trained professional who is with woman at her childbirth. As the President of HKCMW, I am not only with woman but also with our College members in pursuing a higher standard of midwifery care to all childbearing women.



In the coming years, HKCMW will continue to strive for further success in promoting professional midwifery services. Post-basic and post- membership training with different sub-specialties are being developed to attract more midwives to join the College. Through collaboration with experts in Hong Kong and overseas, advanced practice and knowledge are shared and exchanged via talks and seminars. Our young fellows are our future, they will be well nurtured and developed. Advanced midwifery practice will definitely pass on from generation to generation.

Last but not least, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation to Ms. Alice Sham, Founding President, and Ms. Macy Chau, Immediate Past President, for their unfailing support and contributions to our College and the profession.

TSANG Siu Ling President, The Hong Kong College of Midwives

Ms. WONG Kin I, President of Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Nursing, succeeded as Institutional Council Member



I am in great honor to be elected as the President of the Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Nursing (HKCON) 2021-2024 and succeeded as a Council Member of Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (HKAN).

I am humbled that I have never thought about the positions, but will commit with my greatest courage when they come. My thankfulness goes to all trust granted by the former leaders and all council members. I will commit with my best to lead the College moving forward and face challenges ahead.

I am excited to work with the council and fellow members for the continuous development of the College; and to engage our young fellows in the specialty nursing development. With collaborative effort of the new council and fellows, the College has completed the Fellow Exit Examination in December 2021. It has well illustrated that the transition has taken place with support and guidance from our seniors.

With solidity of the College foundation and leadership of HKAN; I believe we, as nurses could serve the community with professionalism and contribute constantly to the Health Care system of Hong Kong.

Wong Kin I
RN, RM, BN, MSc(N) FHKAN(Orthopaedics)
President, Hong Kong College of Orthopaedic Nursing

Voluntary Scheme on Advanced and Specialised Nursing Practice

The Food and Health Bureau invited the Nursing Council of Hong Kong (NCHK) to formulate a voluntary scheme on advanced and specialized nursing practice with a view to advance the professional competence of nurses and pave the way for setting up a statutory registration system in the long run. The NCHK recognized it is a global trend to promote advanced and specialised nursing practice and shouldered the responsibility for the professional development of nurses.

The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (HKAN) and its Colleges have been invited to set up panels to formulate the relevant core competencies for 16 individual specialty. In May 2021, the core competencies of all specialties had been submitted to NCHK for endorsement.

Applications for recognition as advanced practice nurses were accepted in a few phases since 27 January 2021. Starting from 4 October 2021, all 16 specialties were opened for application:

- 1) Gynaecology Nursing
- 2) Management in Nursing
- 3) Medical Nursing
- 4) Oncology Nursing
- 5) Orthopaedic Nursing
- 6) Paediatric Nursing
- 7) Emergency Care Nursing
- 8) Critical Care Nursing

- 9) Cardiac Nursing
- 10) Community, Primary and Public Health Nursing
- 11) Education and Research in Nursing
- 12) Gerontology Nursing
- 13) Infection Control in Nursing
- 14) Mental Health Nursing
- 15) Perioperative and Anaesthesia Nursing
- 16) Surgical Nursing

Eligible registered nurses are invited to submit applications through their current employers. Details of the Scheme are available at the Council's website (www.nchk.org.hk/en/advanced_specialised_nursing_practice/index.html).

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for Prof. CHAIR and Prof. Frances WONG's leadership and all specialty panel members for the effort with the entire exercise. Their hard work has been kicked off a very important exercise for nursing in Hong Kong!

Community Vaccination Centres (CVC) Operated by HKAN

The HKAN was invited to start another Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) at Boundary Street Sport Centre no. 1 from 20 July 2021. After the closure of The Hong Kong International Airport CVC on 28 September 2021, Boundary Street Sport Centre no.1 was moved to a bigger site no. 2 on 30 October 2021 and operated until 28 December 2021. The one at Tung Chung Community Hall will be closed on 29 December 2021.

Besides the CVCs' operation, HKAN also provides out-reach vaccination services at Caritas Medical Centre and Ruttonjee and Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals as from 18 October 2021 and 10 December 2021 respectively.

In addition, the Lai Chi Kok Park Sports Centre would be handover to HKAN on 30 December 2021 for operation until end of March 2022.







The Boundary Street Sport Centre CVC

Community Vaccination Centres (CVC) Operated by HKAN

Hospital Community Vaccination Stations were set up at Caritas Medical Centre and RTSK Hospital and starting operation as from 18 October 2021 and 10 December 2021 respectively.

Caritas Medical Centre







Ruttonjee and Tang Shiu Kin Hospitals







Community Vaccination Centres (CVC) Operated by HKAN

Throughout the operation period of CVCs, HKAN gains a lot of appreciations and positive feedbacks from the public and the trust of the Government. We should thank our HKAN staff particularly Ms. Catherine YEUNG, for her dedicated efforts in staff recruitment, duty scheduling which tallied with the fluctuated nos. of daily vaccine recipients, infection control, quality and safety assurance etc. and the leadership of Prof. Sylvia FUNG and Prof. CHAIR for the successful operation of the CVCs.



Appreciation from the public

"Thank you all for the professional as well as warm experience we received at the Tung Chung vaccination Centre for both by mum and myself." - P & S Gulati

"我的體驗非常好,不但打針的姑娘Shirley技術很好,我一點也不痛,姓何的女主任,態度很好、很有禮貌....這樣的服務態度非常值得加許"- (as referred by Central Medical Team)

"Dr. Lee就我的詢問給予寶貴意見,他很 sincere, professional and helpful." - 張先生

"Thank you for your effort in coordinating my son's vaccination." - Karla

Responses to the Government



*Response to the Healthcare Manpower Planning Exercise in 2021

*Proposal and Response to The Chief Executive's 2021 Policy Address





*Welcome to download the documents on HKAN's website www.hkan.hk for details

Co-signed Letter to Chief Executive with COSH and other organizations



HKAN has advocated the total ban on alternative smoking products for years. We are pleased to announce that the Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2019 (Amendment Bill) has been passed in the Legislative Council on 21 October 2021, for the decision to prohibit the import, manufacture, sale, distribution and advertisement of the alternative smoking products including e-cigarettes, heat-not-burn (HNB) and all other forms of new tobacco products.

No commercial interests should be weighed over the health of people. It will certainly help in protecting the public's health at a higher level.

HKAN would always support any meaningful action against the well-being of the community.

2021 Hong Kong Legislative Council Election

The Legco election 2021 is scheduled on December 19, 2021. This is the 1st Lego election after improvements to electoral system. There was one seat for Medical & Health Services subsector under Functional Constituency (FC). Electors of the relevant FC to cast their votes.

HKAN formed a Task Force for HKSAR Election Campaign and participates in the process of Legislative Council (LegCo) election. Membership of The Task Force includes:

- Prof. Sylvia FUNG (Convenor)
- Prof. CHAIR Sek Ying
- Mr. Andrew TSE (Lawyer)
- Ms. Susanna LEE
- Prof. William LI
- Mr. Philip CHOI
- Ms. Helena LI

To facilitate the communications between Candidates who were running for Medical & Health Services of Functional Constituencies and our members, HKAN had arranged a Zoom meeting on November 9, 2021. Three of candidates, Dr. Michael HO, Dr. David LAM and Dr. CHAN Chi Chung attended the meeting for self introduction.

In the Extraordinary Council meeting of The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (HKAN) held on November 19, 2021, Members of the HKAN Council have voted positive to support our Vice President (Dr. CHAN Chi-Chung) to run for the Legislative Council General Election for the Medical and health services Functional Constituency. Dr. CHAN started his election campaign after received the acceptancy from the Electoral Affairs Commission:





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Participated in various election forums and media interviews





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Visits in hospitals



2021 Hong Kong Legislative Council Election

Voting Day



2021 Hong Kong Legislative Council Election

The Hong Kong Academy of Nursing (Nursing) sincerely thank you for your trust and support. Although Dr. CHAN was not being elected in the 2021 Legislative Council election, we believe that it has successfully increased the awareness to the public about HKAN through this election.

In the future, HKAN would continue to contact various medical professions, to promote nursing specialties development, and keep monitoring government medical policies to ensure that Hong Kong people deserve better medical services.

District Health Centre

Many of the chronic diseases are often preventable, and frequently manageable through early detection and eliminating certain behavioural risk factors. Primary healthcare is the first point of contact for individuals and families in a continuing healthcare process which entails the provision of accessible, comprehensive, continuing, co-ordinated and person-centred care in the context of family and community. In a bid to shift the emphasis of the present healthcare system and people's mindset from treatment-oriented to prevention-focused, the Government is determined to strengthen district-based primary healthcare services across Hong Kong.

In 2017, Prof. Frances WONG, was invited by Food & Health Bureau as a member of the Steering Committee on Primary Healthcare Development. The Steering Committee, as highlighted in the Chief Executive's Policy Address, was to draw up a blueprint for the sustainable development of primary healthcare services for Hong Kong.



Steering Committee on Primary Healthcare Development

Through the setting up of District Health Centres across Hong Kong, it hopes to enhance public awareness of disease prevention and self-health management capability, change the current focus of our healthcare services from treatment to prevention, and alleviate the pressure on public hospitals.





Opening of the 2nd DHC (Sham Shui Po) on 18 October 2021

The first DHC started operating in Kwai Chung since September 2019 and the second one was opened in October 2021. The government is gradually setting up district health centers in 18 districts in Hong to provide Primary healthcare Kong. services for residents in the district including health promotion, health assessment, chronic disease management and community rehabilitation, will be provided to raise public awareness on personal health management, disease prevention, and strengthen medical rehabilitation services and in the community.

District Health Centre

Post-registration Certificate Course in Primary Health Care Nursing - District Health Centre Module (PRCC PHCN DHC Module)

To strengthen the competencies of registered nurses in delivering centre-based primary health care services in the community, HKAN was invited by the Primary Healthcare Office of FHB to develop the "PRCC PHCN DHC Module" for nurses who were interested to work or working at the District Health Centres.

Since November 2019, HKAN together with its one of Academy Colleges, the College of Community and Public Health Nursing, had organized four classes until now. The latest course was commenced in October 2021. Regular meeting would be conducted with the Primary Healthcare Office to review the course contents and to refine it if in need.



The latest class of PRCC PHCN DHC Module commenced on 16 October 2021

Promotion Activities

A series of promotion activities have been launched to promote the image and visibility of HKAN through Social Media. Due to many positive responses were received, HKAN decided to continue another round of the below programs:



- Every Second Tuesday of the month
- Live at 2:00 pm at RTHK

「香港護理專科學院」系列



Interviewed with HKCERN on 9 Nov 2021



Interviewed with HKCMW on 12 Oct 2021



Interviewed with HKCGN on 14 Dec 2021

Promotion Activities

Hong Kong Economic Journal (信報) Publish on every Alternate Friday





Monthly Video Production 專科護理三分鐘 in YouTube

By Academy Specialty Colleges to introduce Advanced Nursing Practices of their specialties





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Registration & Membership Committee

HKAN welcomes 134 Ordinary Members for 2021/2022 from the following 13 Academy Colleges:

	HK College of		No.
1.	Cardiac Nursing		3
2.	Community & Public Health		24
3.	Critical Care Nursing		14
4.	Edu & Research in Nursing		26
5.	Emergency Nursing		7
6.	Medical Nursing		15
7.	Mental Health Nursing		13
8.	Midwives		6
9.	Nursing & Health Care Mgmt		3
10.	Orthopaedic Nursing		7
11.	Paediatric Nursing		4
12.	Perioperative Nursing		8
13.	Surgical Nursing		4
		Total	134

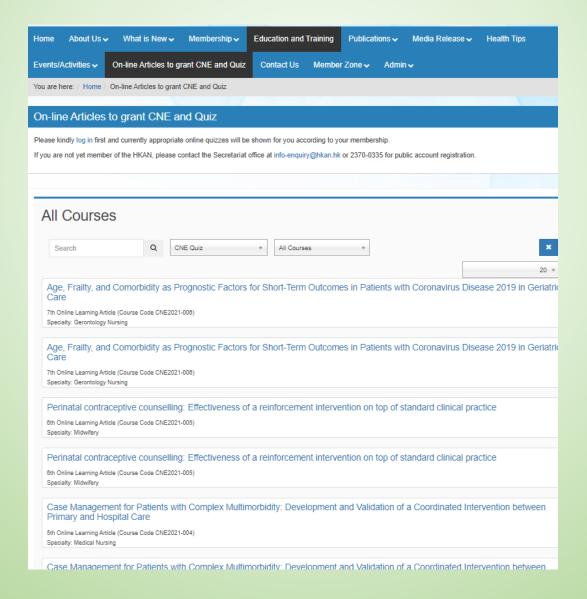


Professional Development Committee

"On-line Learning"

We are pleased to announce that the On-line Learning Platform was setting up for Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) activities for providing and facilitating the Academy of CNE activities for members achieving CNE points.

Would you like to access the online CNE quizzes, simply login to HKAN's website www.hkan.hk and visit the CNE quiz section. Please stay tune for more quizzes and other sorts of CNE activities would be uploaded to the learning platform regularly.



Other Matters

HKSAR Election Campaign 2021/2022

Congratulations to Ms. Kathy CHEUNG, HKAN Honorary Secretary, is successful elected in 2021 Election Committee Subsector Elections (Medical & Health Services)

Congratulations

2021 Chief Executive Honour List



Ms. Alice YIU
Fellow of Hong Kong College of Medical Nursing

Other Matters

"Sponsorship to Overseas Conference"

The 11th International Council of Nursing Nurse practitioner/ Advanced Practice Nurse Network was held virtually at Halifax, Canada, during 29 August to 1 September 2021 after several postponement due to Covie-19 pandemic. (https://npapn2020.com)

HKAN has offered sponsorship for the fellow who submitted her sponsorship application.



"Position Statement on Advanced Nursing Practice"

With the new Fellowship pathway implemented in May 2021, the Position Statement on Advanced Nursing Practice was updated and uploaded to the HKAN website.



"HKAN Membership Card"

The e-membership cards were available as from 1 October 2021. Simply login to HKAN's website www.hkan.hk to download.



Recruitment of Volunteers for HKAN Profession / Publicity / Fund-raising, If you are interested, please send email to info-enquiry@hkan.hk



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