



Newsletter

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President's Message

In the start of 2013, I wish all of you a happy, healthy and hopeful New Year. I expect that this year will be an exciting and key year for the PHKAN. The World Health Day and International Nurses Day CUM Fellows' Conferment Ceremony are now only months away. Also, a Work Group is formed to work out the whole process to achieve statutory status for the Academy of Nursing and intensive consultation and engagement will start soon.

Florence Nightingale has been a nursing enduring icon. Today, nurses in Hong Kong will join in creating the new icon. I will use the acronym of the word **ICON** to map out the PHKAN commitment in assuring quality advanced nursing practice.

I is for **i**nspiration in strengthening advanced practice in nursing that will make an **i**mpact in our care delivery,

C is for **c**reativity in professional development that would **c**aptivate the interest of our Fellows and Members,

O is for **o**ppportunity to uplift the image of nursing and to **o**ptimize our contributions to society,

N is for commitment to **n**urture new blood to nursing advancement and to **n**etwork with all stakeholders including government and various organizations to accomplish our mission.

We are determined to strengthen our organizational structure to better serve our Fellows, Members, Academy Colleges and the Hong Kong community. We will be putting in place strategies to actively engage our Fellows and stakeholders in all-important events. I look forward to your participation and partnership at upcoming events and activities in 2013.



Dr. Susie LUM
President

Ordinance

The development of nursing professionals in Hong Kong needs effective governance of specialty nursing. We also require the legitimate coverage and protection under the legal system which will in turn benefit the population of Hong Kong. This is simply the reason for the PHKAN to strive for the establishment of HKAN. To meet the work planning, PHKAN has activated a task force to schedule the drafting the relevant ordinance within a year. Members of the task force include Dr. Susie LUM, Dr. Joseph LEE, Mr. Lester HUANG (legal advisor), Mr. Tony YEN (Solicitor), Prof. Frances WONG, Mr. WW TSANG, Ms. Sylvia FUNG, Ms. Gloria LUK, Ms. Adela LAI, Mr. Frederick YEUNG, Mr. Mick YEUNG.

The legal adviser has provided valuable advices to members for the preparation of documents and direction consensus. The chairman of the task force met the government officials and also invited nurse professionals and associated bodies to provide information on the ongoing consultation. An opinion survey will be started soon to capture broader views from various stakeholders. Your involvement and participation in this survey is crucial to the success of the future HKAN and nursing specialty development.

Health Carnival on 6 April 2013

The launching of the World Health Day is to mark the founding of World Health Organization (WHO). It is first celebrated on the 7th of April 1950. Every year, a theme is set to highlight an important global health agenda to arouse worldwide attention. Thus, World Health Day serves as an opportunity to enhance health promotion and protection to the community at large.

To celebrate WHO's World Health Day and to show our commitment to health promotion and protection, HKANPC and PHKAN had organized Health Carnivals in 2010, 2011 and 2012. The respective themes were: "1000 cities, 1000 lives" in 2010; "Antimicrobial resistance and its global spread" in 2011 and "Ageing and Health" in 2012. We aimed at promoting the health awareness of people in the community through various activities such as booths, games, health counseling and health talks. Each year, the World Health Day was well received.

This year, we will have the Health Carnival held in Southorn Playground (Football Pitch) at Wan Chai on 6 April 2013. The objectives are:

- *To introduce the causes and consequences of high blood pressure.

- *To recommend change of life style for the prevention and control of hypertension.

Most importantly, our objective is to publicize the contribution of Advanced Practice Nurses. We want the public to recognize advanced nursing practice in Hong Kong. Therefore, we will have two APN counseling booths on the event day.

The Promotion & Public Relations Committee had called upon all the 14 Academy Colleges to join effort to make this year celebration a success. Please reserve 6 April 2013 for this annual community program of nurses, your participation will serve as a form of encouragement to all of us!

The First Annual General Meeting



PHKAN Council members pictured with auditor and legal advisor at the First AGM

Heartfelt thanks to all Founding and Institutional Members, Fellow Members, Committees as well as College representatives, the PHKAN Council has successfully held the 1st AGM in the Lecture Theatre of the Academy Building. Over 80 members gathered for the common interest in promoting excellence in nursing and health care through regulating specialist nursing practice and education in Hong Kong.

Dr. Susie LUM, President of the Founding Council opened the 1st Annual General Meeting with gratitude expressed to the Founding Council Members for their dedication and hard work in making the success of the PHKAN. She presented a detailed report on the achievements of the PHKAN throughout the year and the events scheduled for the ensuing year. We are glad to announce Mr. William CHAN and Mr. Lester HUANG had kindly accepted our re-appointment to be Honorary Auditor and Legal Advisor.

Message from the Chair, Registration & Membership Committee

The Registration & Membership Committee had invited representative members from all 14 Academy Colleges to participate in the vetting of the 2013 Fellow members under grandfathering scheme in early January 2013. After meticulous review, over 750 applicants from the 14 Academy Colleges were found suitable for conferment to be Fellow Members of the Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing on 4 May 2013. We would like to congratulate these Fellow Members for their commitment and contributions to the nursing profession.

The PHKAN Office

Renovation of the PHKAN office was completed. The renovation project took a month and included the office area in the lower ground floor one of the School of Nursing. After the renovation, the Conference Room, General Office, President Office, 10 College Offices and the Lounge are neat and tidy, and most importantly, good fit to purposes.

The Academy plans to host a wide variety of international conferences and healthcare seminars in this newly refurbished venue for the advancement of the nursing profession.



Meeting With Professor Sophia Chan



Food & Health Bureau with Dr. KO Wing Man, Secretary for F&HB



Food & Health Bureau with Prof. Sophia CHAN, Under Secretary for F&HB

Subsequent to meeting with Dr. KO Wing Man in September last year, we have a constructive afternoon meeting with Professor Sophia CHAN, Under Secretary for Food and Health in pursuance of becoming a statutory body. It empowers PHKAN to regulate Hong Kong advanced nursing practice that will assure the public a future betterment of Hong Kong health care services.

First IND Meeting for the 2013 Celebration

The First International Nursing Day (IND) Celebration organization Committee meeting was held on 13 December 2012 with over 40 members from different organizations & universities attending the meeting. With the contributions from all, the tentative program rundown, sponsorship arrangement & theme were confirmed. Also, “護理無疆界，愛心遍全球” was chosen to be the slogan of 2013 IND celebration. The 2013 IND celebration CUM conferment of PHKAN fellows will be held on 4 May 2013 in Kowloonbay International Trade & Exhibition Centre starting from 9:00am. We welcome all of you to join the celebration conference and dinner. Hope to see you on that day!

Dinner with PHKAN Patron and Advisors

We have a memorable dinner with our patron, Dr. LEONG Che Hung, and our advisors Mr. WU Ting Yuk, Dr. Hon LEE Kok Long, Dr. Donald LI, Dr. CHEUNG Wai Lun, Dr. TUNG Sau Ying and our honorary Legal advisor, Mr. Lester HUANG, they shared their expectation and enlightened council members on the development direction for PHKAN. We treasured their valuable advice.



PHKAN Council members pictured with our patron and advisors at the advisors dinner

President Dr Susie LUM, and our committee chairmen, including Ms. Alice SHUM (Accreditation Committee); Dr. Esther WONG (Promotion & Public Relations Committee); Ms. Serena LI (Professional Development Committee); and, Ms Sylvia FUNG on behalf of Ms Susan LAW, (Registration & Membership Committee) also gave a brief account of the achievement and future direction of the respective areas. The reports were well received.

Report from Professional Development Committee



Participants pictured with Prof. SUNG in the 2nd PDC Seminar

Forum

On 27 September, Professor Joseph J.Y. SUNG hosted a Seminar on “**Ethical and Professional Conduct for Healthcare Professionals**”, he expressed views on the expected ethical conduct of healthcare professionals in YCK Medical Memorial, KWH. The audiences’ attention was all attracted from start to finish. On the same occasion, Professor SUNG also presented his volunteer experience in the developing nations.

PDC Progress

- * The document entitled " Guiding Principle for CNE System" will be finalized soon.
- * Specialty Expert Groups will be formed to respond to mass media, government and public issues.

Report from The Fundraising Committee

The Fund Raising Committee aims to raise funds in supporting the activities of PHKAN. In viewing that the Academy is not yet at Charitable Organization status, small funds raising through bazaar, raffle tickets selling, film show etc are still on our targets for the coming year. Watch out for a specially selected, highly appraised documentary film show in April, details will be announced in due course. Hope to see you there !

PHKAN Website www.hkan.hk

PHKAN will revamp her website to enhance communication with both the public and its fellow members. Bulletin Board, blogs and interactive discussion forum will soon be available.

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