The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Activity Report
July 2017- June 2018

1. **Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development 2018 (SWSD2018)**

Dr. Crystal Cheng represented HKCSS to share the topic on “Capacity building for the two pillars of NGO governance and leadership in Hong Kong: Challenges and Lessons Learnt” in the ICSW Commemorative Symposium in the SWSD 2018. HKCSS has also arranged a delegation of 13 persons to attend the SWSD2018.

2. **2017 Mainland, Hong Kong and Macau Conference on Prevention of Drug Abuse**

HKCSS has collaborated with the China Association of Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment as well as Social Welfare Bureau of Macao SAR Government to host the 2017 Mainland, Hong Kong and Macau Conference on Prevention of Drug Abuse on 17th-20th October 2017 in Hong Kong. The theme for the Conference was “Evidence-based Prevention and Joint Effort on Effective Measures”. It aimed at sharing the experience on combating drug abuse with the joint effort from social service, medical treatment and legal aspects, and provided a platform for experience exchange among professional workers in the field of anti-drug abuse. Over 300 participants attended the Conference with positive feedback.

3. **Promoting improvement of local social services**

HKCSS has been working closely with overseas counterparts in promoting better local social services and local sector. We work with consulates and overseas partners to introduce new technology products and practices to Hong Kong. We successfully advocated the HKSAR Government to set up a HK$1 billion Innovation and Technology Fund for the elderly and rehabilitation service units to use and procure technology products. We also introduce the concept of “co-housing” and “modular housing” from overseas and launch the new “Community Housing Movement”, a social movement with the joint efforts of funders, landlords, and NGOs/social enterprises, supported by the Government. Its objective is, through the provision of transitional accommodation and support services, to provide a short-term relief for individuals or families with proven need of transitional housing.
4. **ICSW Networking - ACOSS**

The Australian Council of Social Service visited HKCSS in February 2018 and exchanged the experience in conducting social researches. The meeting facilitated the exchange and maintained the network between HKCSS with ICSW partners.

5. **Continuous Efforts in International Exchanges**

HKCSS has been promoting active international involvement, and strengthening international linkages. HKCSS also facilitated our Agency Members to learn from overseas experiences through organizing overseas events regularly (about 18 events every year), and receiving visitors for exchanges and conducting professional trainings for capacity building to some overseas agencies based on their needs.
Japan National Council of Social Welfare
Activity Report (June 2017 - June 2018)

1. **Staff Change**

   * International Division of the Japan National Council of Social Welfare have a new executive and staffing since April 2018.

   Executive Director: Mr. Yoshiyasu Nozaki
   Division Director of the International Division: Mr. Noriyoshi Matsushima
   Deputy Division Chief of the International Division: Mr. Shuji Sonozaki

2. **Liaison/Coordination with NEA members/ICSW**

   a) Hong Kong Council of Social Service

   - Honored to host a visit by Mr. Chua Hoi Wai to exchange views on NEA, as well as to learn about HKCSS’s recent development, in May, 2018

   - Program Coordination, including lecture provision and site visit arrangements, for groups led by Mr. Chua of the HKCSS, to visit HCR exhibition and various care facilities for elderly persons in Tokyo and vicinity, in September, 2017.

   - Assisting HKCSS to liaise with HCR secretariat for the HCR program in 2018.

   - Program coordination, including lecture provision and site visit arrangements for a group of professionals from a voluntary organization, a member of HKCSS, to learn about elderly services in Japan in October, 2017

   b) Korea National Council of Social Welfare

   - Program coordination including lecture provision and site visit arrangements, for a study visit group organized by KNCSS which consist of people from local councils of social welfare in Korea, in October, 2017. The theme of study was to learn about the councils of social welfare system in Japan.

   c) ICSW Taiwan

   - Attending, with a study tour group members, NEA Regional Meeting in Taipei.

   - Article contribution to 2018 NEA Newsletter.
- Coordinating site visit programs for a group of youth leaders, introduced by ICSW Taiwan, in October to introduce them to examples of voluntary organizations’ services for elderly persons.

- Coordinating lecture provision and site visit programs for a group of local government officers on social welfare, introduced by ICSW Taiwan, in December. Theme was on social work education and roles of social workers at program sites.

d) ICSW HQ

*JNCSW applied for ICSW C category membership.

3. Other International Activities

1) Program Coordination/arrangement for visitors from overseas:

Upon requests from Ex-trainees of JNCSW Asian Social Welfare Workers’ Training Program, especially from Korea and Taiwan, and from other sources, site visit programs coordination and/or provision of general lectures on social welfare in Japan have been arranged. Themes include: elderly services, child care services, and community services.

2) Asian Social Welfare Workers’ Training Program and related activities:

- Conducting the Asian Social Welfare Workers’ Training program, inviting trainees from Asian countries (4 each in FY 2017 and in FY 2018) providing opportunities to learn Japanese, to have internship experience at social service facilities and to networking, etc.

Invited countries include, Korea, Taiwan, the Philippines, Indonesia, and Thailand for FY 2017 and/or for FY2018.

The program starts in the end of March and complete in the middle of February every year.

- Follow-up training program was conducted in October, 2017, for 2 ex-trainees, providing opportunities to learn current Japanese situation in relation to their field of interest: i.e. care for children with disabilities, and/or disaster relief activities for persons with disabilities respectively.
- Allotment of funding to ex-trainee’s projects, recruited and selected from the proposal submitted by ex-trainees.

- Allotment of funding to the Regional Seminar organized by ex-trainees of JNCSW’s Asian Social Workers’ Training program, organized by Indonesian ex-trainees’ alumni group, held in Bandung in September 2017.

- Attending the said Seminar with a group of Japanese observers for exchange.

3) Trilateral Conference in December 2017 in Osaka

- JNCSW hosted the Trilateral Conference in Osaka in December 2017.

  Open seminar with themes on livelihood hardship and roles of voluntary social service organizations was held. Keynote as well as country presentations were made along with the theme, followed by case reports.

  Overseas participants had opportunity to learn about characteristics of Osaka through lectures, field visits and exchange gathering in town.
The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan
Activity Report
July 2017 – June 2018

1. Executive team for Term 2018-2021

The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan held annual General Assembly on April 22nd, 2018 and Professor Joyce Yen Feng was elected as the President for the term 2018-2021. Board members and supervisors for next term were also elected. Some members of executive team for term 2018-2021 are listed as follows:

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The 22nd Tri-Lateral Conference of Non-Governmental Social Welfare Organizations was held in Osaka in December. The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan organized a delegate group including 26 scholars and social work professionals to attend this conference. With the help of Japanese National Council of Social Welfare, the delegate group also visited several social welfare organizations after the conference to learn the experience and development of social welfare and social work system in Osaka and Japan.

3. Organizing empowerment workshops for social workers

In order to encourage social workers in Taiwan to participate in international social welfare cooperation and development, the Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan keeps organizing various training events to empower social workers. In this year, those social workers who participated in Japanese international internship programmes were invited to share their study experience. The members
who participated in the tri-lateral conference in Osaka also shared their observations and thoughts and discusses the prospects to adapt models from other countries into the circumstances in Taiwan.

4. Active Ageing Demonstration Center: “Baby Boomers Club”

The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan works with the Big City shopping mall and several social enterprises to launch a “Baby Boomers Club” in Hsinchu City. This club demonstrates and apply various innovative technology to elderly services. It also provides courses and trainings for the elderly to develop new career after retirement and a practice cafe for the elderly to apply their trainings into practice.

5. Receiving social welfare visiting groups

The Council of Social Welfare, Taiwan keeps receiving social welfare visiting groups from other counties to promote exchange of experiences. For instance, the Council received the visiting group of Central American Council of social integration in August, 2017 and introduce the development of social welfare in Taiwan.
Korea National Council on Social Welfare
“We will create friendly and active regional welfare communities”

What is the Korea National Council on Social Welfare?

Korea council enhances the level of Korean people’s satisfaction with social welfare by supporting government’s social welfare policies, promoting private social welfare services, and integrating public and private delivery systems. In accordance with the ‘Social Welfare Services Act,’ Korea Council cooperates and coordinates with social welfare organizations and agencies. Korea council is a prominent organization for voluntary social welfare, and plays the dual role of managing public welfare for the government and being involved in together Korea Social Welfare.

To build up “ Regional Welfare Community”

With the launch of a new government that aims to promote embrace welfare, 2017 has been a dynamic year, Korea Council has also got opportunity to seek the change in order to nurture and support social welfare with ‘Mom’s mind’.

February 2017, donations to Foodbank have been possible household equipment as well as food. In 2017, the total amount of donations, including food and household equipment, over 200 billion won for the first time.

July 2017, Local Welfare Executive Academy launched to reflect environmental changes and issues at the local community welfare practice field. Through welfare management, leadership, and marketing education, Korea council led the way in improving the welfare management skills of the CEO for social welfare.

November 2017, on the 10th anniversary of Community Relations Center held a Global Forum under the theme of the ‘The power of cooperation to make a better world : Collective Impact’. A new social contribution paradigm and vision for the future has been proposed during the event.
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We will nurture and support social welfare with ‘Mom’s mind’

We will play a leading role in providing quality social welfare services by supporting operation of social welfare agencies in systemic ways through a wide range of education, training, research and counseling services.

We will make welfare clock’s ‘cogwheels’ run well.

We will enhance the level of Korean people’s satisfaction with social welfare by supporting government’s social welfare policies, promoting private social welfare services, and integrating public and private delivery systems.

We will be a ‘Bridge’ to link the resources to social welfare field.

We will serve as an intermediary of solving local social welfare problems by building a 'social welfare innovation platform' to connect people with social welfare service needs to private resources.

1. Holding press conference at the Korea National Assembly
2. National convention of Good finder (volunteer corps of local residents)