## **Centenary of the Founding of Kiang Wu Nursing College of Macau**

Kiang Wu Nursing College of Macau, formerly known as Kiang Wu Nursing and Midwifery School, is a subsidiary of Kiang Wu Hospital Charitable Association. It was founded in the autumn of 1923, and has been in operation for a century. The College has received international and national recognition for its management and teaching quality, and has successfully completed Institutional Accreditation conducted by the prestigious Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) of the United Kingdom. It is also an Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI) programme provider. Moreover, the College has had Nursing Education Accreditation conducted by the Motherland's Higher Education Evaluation Center of the Ministry of Education.

**Philosophy:** To keep up Dr. Sun Yat-sen's philanthropic and beneficent spirit, uphold Kiang Wu's tradition of caring and devotion, and develop the educational philosophy of "From Personhood to Benevolence".

**Objectives:** To cultivate nursing and health sciences professionals who believe in the philosophy of "From Personhood to Benevolence" and show dedication to the nation and human health by creating new knowledge, caring for and benefiting the local communities.

**Mission:** To implement the objectives and educational philosophy of the College through setting up a multi-tiered and compound system of programmes that centres on nursing science in coordination with other health disciplines. Adopt the three-in-one policy of "Professional Education", "Holistic Education" and "General Education" for preparing nursing and health sciences professionals who "Strive for Competence and Integrity, Serve with Professionality and Care", and endeavour to develop a local foothold as well as an international vision.

**Education:** In 2002, the College started the first four-year degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing. In 2008, the College launched the Postgraduate Diploma in Advanced Nursing Programme, nurturing nurses with relevant specialised skills, increasing the strength of specialty nursing, and promoting the clinical development of various specialty nursing services. In 2010, the Master of Nursing Science Programme was established in collaboration with Sun Yat-sen University. In 2018, the College established its own Master of Nursing Programme to enhance nurses' academic research and problem-solving abilities. In 2017, the College launched the Certificate Programme in Applied Gerontology. In 2023, the College plans to offer the Doctor of Philosophy (Nursing).

**Research:** Kiang Wu Nursing College of Macau has considerable research and academic capabilities in the domains of nursing education, senior care, hospice care and life and death education. The research findings contribute to the improvement of the quality of nursing education and services, and serve as a reference for the MSAR Government.

**Community Services:** To implement the College's approach of integrating teaching, research, and social service, the College has established the Nursing & Health Education Research Centre. The "Benevolence Lights up my Later Life: A Tailored Meta-programme to Face with Ageing Population in Macau" is a key development

project of the Centre. Currently, it focuses on the promotion of dementia prevention, life and death education and life support in the community, which has achieved significant social benefits.

**Vision:** Rooted in Macao, facing the Greater Bay Area and the world with the support of the Motherland, the College aims to develop into a renowned nursing College in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area.

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