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KWONG WAI SHIU HOSPITAL CELEBRATES 109TH ANNIVERSARY

On 23 November 2019, Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) celebrated its 109th anniversary. The event was graced by Minister for Health, Mr Gan Kim Yong, who was presented with KWSH's new initiatives.

2 With support from the Agency for Integrated Care, KWSH introduced its new Community Management Service (CMS) initiative to support ageing-in-place for seniors and to meet their long term care needs. CMS adopts a holistic approach towards eldercare to complement existing services and to bridge service gaps for seniors in the region. It offers basic community healthcare, programs ranging from health coaching to enrichment, and also home assistance. Through collaborations with community and healthcare partners, the elderly can enjoy seamless transitions as CMS links them to the appropriate community resources. CMS additionally seeks to encourage volunteerism among active seniors to provide support for their peers. CMS will be implemented in phases between 2020 and 2022.

3 KWSH has more in store for the community, as a new partner has been added to its community hub repertoire. The Silver Generation Office (SGO) under the Agency for Integrated Care has relocated its Kallang satellite office, previously known as Jalan Besar satellite office, to the Hospital grounds. This will value-add to KWSH's community hub with its extensive connections to seniors. By tapping on such connections, KWSH will be able to reach out to more seniors and complement the efforts of SGO.

4 Following the memorandum of understanding signed with Nanyang Technological University (NTU)'s School of Biological Sciences in July 2019, KWSH officially launched the YZF-KWSH Physician Residency Program during the event. This new training program for Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) physicians offers fresh NTU graduate physicians a two-year residency training period across various settings in the Hospital, including inpatient and outpatient, as well as opportunities at community outreach, exposing them to the full spectrum of TCM practice. Sponsored by Yang Zheng Foundation (YZF), this program will play a part in training and developing the Hospital's future physicians as well as Singapore's TCM fraternity.

5 Members of the media are invited to share this meaningful moment with KWSH and to cover the event on Saturday, 23 November 2019, 9:30am at Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital. The event shall be open to full media coverage. Please RSVP with Leong Keat Yeng (Jieying) and Tay Chian Yong by Thursday, 21 November 2019. A brief program is appended for your perusal.

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Event Details

Date: Saturday, 23 November 2019
Time: 9:30am to 11:30am
Venue: Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital
705 Serangoon Road, Singapore 328127

Program

9:30am: Commencement of event
9:35am: Speech by Mr Patrick Lee, Chairman, Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital
9:45am: Speech by Guest of Honour
9:55am: Presentation of Token to Donors
Presentation of Token to Long Service Board Members
10:10am: Introduction of New Board Members
10:20am: Launch of YZF-KWSH Physician Residency Program
10:25am: KWSH Tour
11:15am: Tea Reception for Invited Guests
11:30am: End of Event

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About Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) is a 109-year-old charitable healthcare organisation and is registered as an Institution of Public Character, committed to looking after the sick and needy. In the last century, it has continued the strong tradition of community service, having cared for many generations of Singaporeans, beginning its legacy in 1910 even before Singapore's independence. It is now one of the most established providers in the ILTC (Intermediate and Long Term Care) sector.

At present, KWSH operates a nursing home, a rehabilitation centre, a traditional Chinese medicine centre, three community care centres and offers home care services. Many of its patients are from the lower-income group and their fees are heavily subsidised.

To better serve the rapidly ageing population, KWSH has undergone redevelopment to be transformed into an integrated community healthcare hub, providing healthcare services to its residents and the community. With the completion of the redevelopment in 2018, KWSH is now the largest single-site nursing home with over 600 beds as well as expansion in its other services.

Visit www.kwsh.org.sg for more information.

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