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KWONG WAI SHIU HOSPITAL LAUNCHES NEW TRAINING WING NAMED COMMUNITY TRAINING INSTITUTE

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) has set up a dedicated department to drive the development of the community care sector and the training of its staff. It will embark on this agenda with quality education and community sector partners. This department will be named as the Community Training Institute (CTI).

2 With the breadth and depth of services provided by KWSH, ranging from residential care to day care, home care and even TCM services, CTI together with its partners will add value to trainees with hands-on blended training programmes, which will also be contextualised to suit the community care sector.

3 KWSH and the Institute for Adult Learning, an institute under SkillsFuture Singapore, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today. The MOU will promote collaboration on suitable joint projects aimed at growing and extending the knowledge and boundaries of the healthcare industry. It will also enable the use of applied research and technology to test bed and refine learning innovations which can be expanded to benefit KWSH's partners and the rest of the community care sector.

4 Together with the support from the Ministry of Health and the Agency for Integrated Care, KWSH hopes to continue providing quality training to all future learners and is looking forward to attain the status as an Approved Training Organisation in order to provide Workforce Skills Qualification (WSQ) courses for the community care sector in the near future. In tandem with the current healthcare services provided by KWSH, CTI will add vibrancy to the Hospital as we strive to be an overall integrated healthcare and community hub.

5 Members of the media are invited to share this meaningful moment with KWSH and to cover the event on **Friday, 7 September 2018**, **8:15am** at **Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital**. The event shall be open to full media coverage. Kindly RSVP with Damian Cheong and Tay Chian Yong by <u>Thursday, 6 September 2018, 5:00pm</u>. A brief programme is appended for your perusal.

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Event Details

| Date: | Friday, 7 September 2018 |
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| Time: | 8:15am to 11:30am |
| Venue: | Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital |
| | 705 Serangoon Road, Singapore 328127 |

Programme

| 8:15am: | Guest registration at Block B, Multi-Purpose Hall (Level 2) |
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| | Exhibition of Telebot and Micro-Learning by Ngee Ann Polytechnic |
| 8:45am: | Arrival of GOH, Mr Ng Cher Pong, Chief Executive, SkillsFuture Singapore |
| 9:00am: | Welcome address by KWSH Chairman, Mr Patrick Lee |
| 9:15am: | Speech by GOH, Mr Ng Cher Pong, Chief Executive, SkillsFuture Singapore |
| 9:30am: | Signing of memorandum of understanding between Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital and Institute for Adult Learning |
| 9:45am: | Networking refreshments |
| 10:00am: | "Demystifying Healthcare for Service Excellence" Masterclass |
| | Tour of KWSH compound for GOH and VIPs |
| 11:30am: | End of event |

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About Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) is a 107-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, a community care centre 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 redeveloped premises in 2018, KWSH is the largest single-site nursing home with over 600 beds as well as expansion in its other services.

For more information, please visit www.kwsh.org.sg.

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