

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **KWONG WAI SHIU HOSPITAL LAUNCHES COMMEMORATIVE BOOK DURING 111<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) celebrated its 111<sup>th</sup> anniversary on 20 November 2021 at its community care centre, KWS Care @ St George, with Minister for Trade and Industry, Mr Gan Kim Yong, gracing the event as guest of honour. At the event, Mr Gan delivered a speech for the momentous occasion and also launched a commemorative book that details the Hospital's tremendous journey through the 110 years since its inception. Mr Gan also officiated a virtual opening for KWSH's new nursing home wards which have the capacity to care for the chronic sick.

2 As KWSH forges ahead into the future with new services and facilities, the anniversary event offers a timely occasion for the Hospital to take stock of how far it has come. During the event, KWSH was joined by Mr Gan as they launched a book commemorating 110 years of its history. The book, titled Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital 110 Years (1910 – 2020), also includes a foreword penned by Mr Gan, where he commended the good work by the Hospital in expanding and enhancing its services to serve seniors with different care requirements.

3 A pictorial volume, the commemorative book chronicles the Hospital's major milestones attained in the 110 years since its founding. Shining the spotlight on the past decade, the book also charts its expansion in services and partnerships with other organisations during this period, which have spurred KWSH's progress and transformation into a community healthcare hub.

4 In a speech delivered in Mandarin, KWSH Chairman, Mr Patrick Lee, thanked Mr Gan and the government for their guidance and enduring support for the Hospital's numerous development projects since 2010, which now includes the latest nursing home wards situated in the new building at its Serangoon Road main site. Furnished with the essential equipment and supported by care personnel trained in specialised areas, the wards boast enhanced capacity to care for the chronic needs of its residents. This enables the Hospital to better tend to residents who require greater nursing and chronic support due to medical conditions with long term complications.

5 The latest facility, which was officially opened by Mr Gan during the event, will provide an additional 128 nursing home beds. It has since commenced operations in phases earlier in October 2021 and is targeted to be fully opened by the second half of 2022. It will eventually boost KWSH's capacity to a total of 750 beds.

6 Members of the media are invited to share this meaningful moment with KWSH and to cover the event on **Saturday, 20 Nov 2021, 3pm to 5pm at Kwong Wai Shiu Care @ St George**. The event shall be open to full media coverage. A brief programme is appended for your perusal. Please RSVP with the media contacts below by Friday, 19 Nov 2021, 12pm.

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## **Event Details**

Date: Saturday, 20 Nov 2021  
Time: 3:00pm to 5:00pm  
Venue: Kwong Wai Shiu Care @ St George  
25 St George's Lane, Singapore 320025

## **Programme**

3:00pm: Arrival of GOH, Minister Gan Kim Yong  
3:05pm: Speech by KWSH Chairman, Mr Patrick Lee  
3:15pm: Speech by GOH, Mr Gan  
3:25pm: Presentation of Token to Donors  
Presentation of Token to Long Service Board Members  
3:40pm: Opening of Additional 128 Nursing Home Beds in New Blk F with the Capacity for Chronic Sick Care  
Launch of 110-Year Commemorative Book, Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital 110 Years (1910 – 2020)  
5:00pm: End of Event

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## **KWSH Key Names and Terms**

KWS Care centre 广惠肇社区关怀中心
Mr Patrick Lee Kwok Kie 李国基先生
Additional 128 Nursing Home Beds in new Blk F with the Capacity for Chronic Sick Care 新 F 座大楼内 128 个可提供慢性疾病护理的新疗养院床位

## **About Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital**

Kwong Wai Shiu Hospital (KWSH) is a 111-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, four community care centres, a community training institute 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.

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