The Korea National Council on Social Welfare

Activity Report November 2015 – June 2016

1. Exchange of Knowledge and Experience in Social Welfare

From the year 2012, KNCSW has been trying to exchange the knowledge and experience in field of social welfare with other nations. This program was started with Yanbian Province, China, but it has been expanded to other regions which are Shandong Province, China and Hochiminh City, Vietnam.

1) Yanbian Province, China

 Mar. 14 ~ Mar. 18, 2016: 4 professionals working at the senior welfare centers in Yanbian had the training program in Korea. By working at the senior welfare centers in Korea for a week, they had opportunity to participate in providing direct services to clients.

2) Shandong Province, China

- May. 23~May.27, 2016: 9 government officials and professionals working at the senior welfare centers had the training program to learn social welfare policy, and see the senior welfare center in Korea.

2. Hosting International Conference

1) Preparation for Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development (SWSD2016)

< Participation in the International Steering Committee Meeting for SWSD 2016>

The International Steering Committee Meeting for the Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development(SWSD2016) was held **from 25 to 27 January, 2016** in Dublin Ireland. The members of International Steering Committee who represent the international hosts, International Council on Social Welfare(ICSW), International Federation of Social Workers(IFSW), International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW) and Prof. Heung Bong Cha, standing chair of the SWSD 2016 attended this meeting. Prof. Cha reported the progress of preparation for the conference, and adjust the details including global agenda, interpretation, schedule, etc.

2) Participation in ICSW NEA Regional Conference

The 2015 ICSW NEA Conference was held from November 5 to 6, 2015 in Hong Kong under the theme of "Long Term Care for Older Persons". 11 delegates from Korea attended this meeting. The conference was mainly composed of seminar, field visit and ICSW NEA General Assembly Meeting.

3) The 20th Tri-lateral Conference of Non-Governmental Social Welfare Organizations

The 20th Tri-lateral Conference of Non-Governmental Social Welfare Organizations was held on Dec 2, 2015 in Taipei hosted by International Council on Social Welfare, Taiwan. The theme was "Current Social Welfare Issues in Taiwan, Korea and Japan", and about 100 professionals in field of social welfare joined the conference to share the knowledge and experience in regard to theme.

3. Supporting Study Visit in Korea

KNCSW has continued to support the field visit of social welfare organizations in other countries by giving the lecture and matching the appropriate social welfare organization in Korea when they request.

- 1) April 26 ~ April 29, 2016 : 16 delegates from Po Leung Kuk which is charity foundation in Hong Kong visited Korea to know the service regarding domestic and international adoption, foster care, residential child care services, family and child protective service, multi-purpose crisis. Their visiting organizations included Children's Dream Hill of Our Lady of Mercy, Holt's, Seoul Children Welfare Center, etc.,
- 2) June 24, 2016: 3 delegates from National Board of Health, Sweden visited Korea to know E-health, welfare technology, etc., The lecture by an official from the Ministry of Health and Welfare in Korea, and field visit of welfare center for disabled and senior were made during their Korea visit.

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