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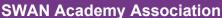
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72<sup>nd</sup> CFA Meeting 19 December 2025

## **Familiarisation Visit to SWAN & BGCA**







The Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong

# A Summary of the 130<sup>th</sup> ACA Meeting held on 10 October 2025

#### Review of HIV situation of ethnic minorities in Hong Kong

DH briefed members on the HIV situation of ethnic minorities (EMs) in Hong Kong. EMs were one of the priority populations targeted in the *Recommended HIV/AIDS Strategies for Hong Kong (2022-2027)*. The presentation provided an in-depth analysis of HIV cases among EMs and highlighted the barriers they faced in accessing HIV prevention, testing, and care services. It also noted that EMs in Hong Kong was disproportionally affected, with heterosexual contact being the most common transmission route. In light of the findings of a 2019 review of HIV situation among EMs, the presentation emphasised the need to improve HIV knowledge and access to testing services among EMs, particularly through health talks and social media. Members endorsed the proposed strategies to support the EM community in HIV prevention and care, including (1) Intensifying the efforts on community engagement and empowerment; (2) Delivering culturally competent education and outreach; and (3) Ongoing surveillance and research.

#### **Integrated HIV Service Delivery**

DH introduced the new guideline issued by the World Health Organization (WHO) on "HIV service delivery: updated guidance on the integration of diabetes, hypertension and mental health services, and interventions to support adherence to antiretroviral therapy". Particular focus would be given to the two key recommendations for integrated service delivery for people living with HIV: (1) integration of HIV, diabetes and hypertension care; and (2) integration of mental health care. The guideline explored the benefits of integrated service delivery, including improved patient outcomes and cost savings. It also emphasised the importance of community engagement, partnership and task-sharing in the integration of health services. Members agreed that the integration of HIV services with other health services, particularly diabetes, hypertension, and mental health care, should be strengthened. The role of primary care in the integration of health services, including training for primary care providers on HIV-related issues, should also be enhanced.

## Public Awareness on HIV: Upcoming Radio Interview

To enhance public awareness about HIV and to foster acceptance within the community, Dr Bonnie WONG from DH and ACA member Ms CHAN Shan participated in a pre-recorded radio interview on HIV. This interview, featured in Commercial Radio's programme 「同你心導行」and supported by SideBySide, aimed to provide insights into HIV prevention and care in commemoration of World AIDS Day on December 1.

Tune in on November 14 from 10:00 PM to 10:30 PM.



#### The 71st CFA Meeting held on 29 August 2025

## Experience sharing by (i) Quarks; (ii) The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong

Quarks (跨青時刻) was the first and only registered organisation in Hong Kong led by and dedicated to transgender and gender-diverse youth. Its mission was to connect local transgender people and empower them to achieve their potential. Quarks worked to foster public understanding of transgender and gender-diverse youth and collaborated with various stakeholders to build a diverse, equitable and inclusive society. Key activities included continuous data collection on the local transgender population, organising community activities for transgender and gender-diverse youth, and conducting research on the challenges they face at home and in school, as well as their legal and facility-related needs. Quarks also provided legal support and advocated for improvements in relevant facilities. It also promoted healthcare and sexual health services for transgender and gender-diverse youth.

The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong (香港小童群益會) introduced its Project TOUCH (性向無限計劃), a programme started in 2017 specifically designed for men who have sex with men (MSM), with a particular focus on youth aged 16 and above. This initiative aimed to enhance peer support networks and cultivate a positive and healthy LGBT community culture, thereby strengthening participant's self-image, resilience, and communication with their families. Apart from promoting sexual health education, social workers and volunteers would also provide counselling and testing services for high-risk individuals, and offer accompanying services to support clients experiencing anxiety. The organisation also collaborated with Quarks to conduct experience sharing sessions with medical students, social work students, teachers, and medical centers, assisting NGOs in engaging adolescents and families, and increasing their acceptance of follow-up services and treatment.

#### Hong Kong Lesbian and Gay Film Festival 2025

RRC continued its collaboration with Hong Kong Lesbian and Gay Film Festival 2025 (HKLGFF) to promote awareness towards HIV prevention. A video clip promoting DH's integrated sexual health service "The Commons" was shown before each film screening. This collaboration facilitated a reach of 5 000 audience at the Film Festival. In addition, a total of 400 giveaway items were distributed at the opening and closing ceremonies, and at selected film screenings, disseminating the message about the importance of HIV testing.







The highlight this year was the French film "To Live, To Die, To Live Again" supported by RRC, which was shown at Broadway Cinematheque and Premiere Elements on 14 and 20 September respectively. The 14 September screening was followed by a panel discussion featuring film director Mr Adam Wong, Dr Bonnie WONG and a client with HIV. An engaging conversation was held between the guests and the audience to discuss how medical breakthroughs have transformed the lives of people living with HIV. The event drew an audience of over 70, who were inspired by this blend of cinematic storytelling and a better understanding of advances in HIV prevention and care.



## **World AIDS Campaign 2025**

This year, RRC has collaborated with over 10 NGOs to commemorate the annual World AIDS Day to showcase the power of community engagement in our local HIV response. The kick-off ceremony of the World AIDS Campaign 2025 will take place at the Central Market on 29 November 2025 (Saturday).

The event will create a vibrant atmosphere with fun fair booths, exhibitions, hands-on workshops and structural displays under the theme "Love with connection" to engage participants for a better understanding of HIV and to promote HIV testing. This multifaceted approach will blend the elements of education, interactive dialogue and allow for moments to reflect, with an aim to enhance the public's connection to HIV and people living in HIV.



Date: 29.11.2025 (SAT)

Event Time: 10 am - 6 pm

Kick-off Ceremony: 11 am - 12 noon

Venue: Central Market, Central



# Arrangement for attending CFA as observers

The following arrangement was agreed during the CFA Meeting held in March 2012 -

- a. Upon the Convener's invitation/ agreement, people who are interested to take part as observer might attend the whole or certain sessions of the meeting and speak up in the meeting at the Convener's discretion;
- b. The CFA Secretariat would announce the agenda on the ACA's website (in the ACA Newsfile) prior to each CFA Meeting. Interested parties could put up their requests to the CFA Secretariat for consideration;
- c. In case of over subscription, the CFA Secretariat would work out the list of participants by adopting a fair procedure deemed appropriate;
- d. Despite of this new administrative arrangement, the meeting would continue to be conducted in Cantonese only; and
- e. At the same time, the CFA Secretariat could invite relevant stakeholders to attend the meeting if deemed appropriate.

## 72<sup>nd</sup> CFA Meeting

Date: 19 December 2025 (Friday)

Time : 2:30 pm

Venue: Activity Area, Red Ribbon Centre

2/F, Wang Tau Hom Jockey Club Clinic 200 Junction Road East, Kowloon

#### Two main items on the Agenda

- Results of Street Addict Survey 2025 by the Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers
- Experience sharing by non-governmental organisations
  - (i) SideBySide
  - (ii) The Society for the Aid and Rehabilitation of Drug Abusers

#### Invitation

Dear All.

If you are interested to take part as observer in the 72<sup>nd</sup> CFA Meeting to be held on 19 December 2025, please complete the application form (available for download from <a href="https://www.aca.gov.hk/cfa\_observers\_form.pdf">https://www.aca.gov.hk/cfa\_observers\_form.pdf</a>) and send the completed form to the CFA Secretariat by **5 December 2025**. For more details of this arrangement, please refer to the summary shown on the left of this page.

**CFA Secretariat**