

# NEWS FROM JACHN

## Greetings

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Japan Academy of Community Health Nursing (JACHN) was founded in October, 1997 as an academic society in association with the academic development, education, and dissemination of community health nursing, and was shifted from a voluntary organization to a general incorporated association in November, 2015. As of July, 2015, our society has grown into an academic organization having more than 1,400 members.

I will act as President of JACHN for two years from 2015-2016 fiscal years. Our society's activities started with the new board members after the ordinary plenary session of members was held on June 20, 2015.

Various social problems including low birthrate and rapid aging of the population, health inequalities, globalization, health crises such as disasters and emerging infectious diseases, surge into Japan. In such a situation, the function and role of community health nursing increases its importance more and more, in collaboration with various people in multiple phase working with individuals, families, their organizations, and the whole community.

In this academic society, the scholarship of community health nursing consists of four areas of public health nursing, occupational health nursing, school health nursing, and home care nursing. It also has the feature and strength of the pursuit of researches, practices, and education from the viewpoint of the four areas, which contribute to community health nursing. The mission and role of JACHN lies in finding a universal intelligence of community health nursing, organizing it, and pursuing it. Such a universal intelligence exists around an associated issue or a common issue which is the focus of discussion from each of the viewpoints of the four areas.

The issue of the Journal of JACHN (3 times a year), the holding of research conference (once a year), and the implementation of research seminars (twice a year) are the academic core activities of our society. We wrestle with these activities in evolving contents and system on the basis of the needs of members. In addition, for the way of education and personnel training with respect to community health nursing and the social needs for

disaster relief, our committee gathers information and examines it sustainably. In fiscal year 2015, the sixth International Conference on Community Health Nursing (ICCHNR) was held in Seoul, Korea, and many members of JACHN participated in the society to present their studies and discussions. In fiscal year 2016, the 3rd Korea-Japan Joint Conference on Community Health Nursing is determined to be held, for which planning and implementation will be carried out in collaboration with the Korean Academy of Community Health Nursing (KACHN) and JACHN: preparation is in progress now. In this way, JACHN is committed to actively contributing to the development of scholarship in cooperation with related academic societies overseas from a global perspective.

In the forthcoming 2017 fiscal year, JACHN will celebrate its 20th anniversary of foundation. We are planning to hold a commemorative event looking toward the future at the convention in fiscal year 2017.

With all these activities, we will be more aware of the social mission and role of JACHN as an academic society in the future. We wish your more support for, cooperation with, and participation in this society's activities. Thank you all!

## **Purpose and Action of Committees for the 2015 to 2016 Fiscal Term**

### **1. Editorial Committee**

#### 1) Policy

The Journal of Japan Academy of Community Health Nursing aims to provide access to timely research and practice features of use to public health nurses, administrators, educators and all the related people in the field of community health nursing. The journal emphasizes original scholarship

on community health nursing and articles include original articles, research reports, practice concepts, and educational features with the goal of development of theory, education, methods, policy, and ethical and legal issues that contribute to the health and welfare of people.

#### 2) Plans

- (1) Organize meetings of the Editorial Committee (three times a year)
- (2) Organize an extended meeting of the Editorial Committee (once a year)
- (3) Issue three editions of the official journal per year (starting with Vol.18 No. 2/3)
- (4) Conduct activities in coordination with other Committees and the Administration Center.  
(Chaired by Prof Masae Ueno, Osaka Prefecture University)

### **2. Committee on Research Promotion**

#### 1) Purpose

Promote the research activities of the Japan Academy of Community Health Nursing (JACHN) members by improving knowledge about research methodologies, and encouraging research exchange among members, thereby contributing to the development of community health nursing as an academic discipline.

#### 2) Activity Plans

- (1) Organize seminars on research activities (at least once a year)
  - a. Time: This seminar is held in parallel with the Academic Conference or other appropriate schedule.
  - b. Topics: Methods of Literature review, Development of Scales, EBN/EBHP: methods of analysis, guidance, etc., Research on Social Epidemiology, Research Ethics, et al.

\* For more information on planning fiscal 2015, please check the accompanying flier.

In fiscal 2016, we are planning a seminar; the draft title is "Development of Scales".

(2) Promotion of research exchange among members

(3) Other

\* We welcome your comments and suggestions about the activity plans.

The Committee members and affiliations:

(Chaired by Prof Masako Kaneko, Keio University)

### 3. Public Relations Committee

1) Purpose

(1) Promote and enhance public information activities (public relations, communication of activities, and expansion of membership).

(2) Support the activities of the Board of Directors, Committees and Academic Conference.

2) Plans

(1) Upgrade the website to promote its use with increased visibility and accessibility, by enhancing its contents to include appropriate links and reports of Committee activities.

(2) Promote and enhance member services and membership application through public relations.

Because the Publicity Committee always wants to receive information/opinions from members, please contact us whenever you have them. We hope to increase members of academic meeting.

(Chaired by Prof Chieko Ide, Oita University)

### 4. Education Committee

The purpose of the Education Committee of JACHN is to examine the way of community health nursing education in the nursing basic education course.

In particular, we collect information from nurses who play active roles in various places in

community care, and find 1) what kind of competency is demanded; 2) what should be added to the current nursing education; and then, we put forward 3) how the education of community health nursing should be.

We are looking forward to receiving various opinions on community health nursing, and its education system to the Education Committee.

(Chaired by Prof Sachiyo Murashima, Oita University of Nursing and Health Sciences)

### 5. International Exchange Promotion Committee

1) Purpose

We aim to promote the international exchange activities of community health nursing practice, research and education for the members.

2) Activities

(1) Issue the JACHN English newsletter every year to share useful information or knowledge regarding JACHN activities, members' view and updating trends in Japanese community health nursing.

(2) Promote international networking including cooperation with International Collaboration for Community Health Nursing Research (ICCHNR) and other associations related to community health nursing.

(Chaired by Prof Ayumi Kono, Department of Home Health Nursing, Osaka City University)

### 6. Committee of the Social Insurance Union Societies Related to Nursing

This committee of JACHN cooperates with the Association of Nursing Academy and Social Insurance Commission (Kanhoren). The Kanhoren submitted a petition for revision of the Medical and Technical Service Payment System of 2016.

The Kanhoren needs nursing research data and evidence submitted from members of JACHN

to revise the Medical and Technical Service Payment System and the Nursing-care benefits system in 2018. We are looking forward to receiving your comments and your participation in the working groups of the Kanhoren.

(Chaired by Prof Mikako Arakida, International University of Health and Welfare)

## 7. Thesis Award Committee

Administer the following annual award scheme in a systematic manner.

### 1) Selection of award-winning theses

(1) Select award-winning theses (awards for excellence and encouragement).

(2) With the approval of the Board of Directors, exhibit posters of the award-winning theses at the annual Academic Conference.

### 2) Recommendations for honorary membership

(Chaired by Prof Etsuko Tadaka, Yokohama City University)

## 8. Committee for Improvement of Disaster Relief

### 1) Purpose

The purpose of this committee is to share scientific knowledge among members to develop the basis for disaster measure support and consider how to provide better disaster measure support, building on the practice and research findings of JACHN members.

### 2) Plans

(1) Organize a workshop for personnel training to contribute to disaster measure support.

(2) Discuss nursing activities to prepare for future large-scale disasters.

(3) Discuss disaster management activities, paying attention to the long-term impact of disaster.

(Chaired by Prof Sanae Haruyama, Jichi Medical University)

## List of Committee Members (◎ : Chair, ○:Co-chair)

### 1. Editorial Committee

◎ Masae Ueno	Osaka Prefecture University
○ Mitsuko Kitayama	Gifu College of Nursing
Mikako Arakida	International University of Health and Welfare
Hisako Izumi	Kobe University
Akiko Ozaki	Tohoku University
Tomoko Kamei	St. Luke' s International University
Yoshiko Kudo	Health Sciences University of Hokkaido
Chikage Tsuzuki	Kobe City College of Nursing
Miki Tokinaga	University of Kochi
Satoko Nagata	The University of Tokyo
Yoko Hatono	Kyushu University
Teruko Yoshimoto	Chiba University

### 2. Committee on Research Promotion

◎ Masako Kaneko	Keio University
○ Takae Morita	Yamaguchi University
Yoshiko Ohno	Kitasato University
Yumi Sato	Gunma University
Miki Sato	Keio University

### 3. Public Relations Committee

◎ Chieko Ide	Oita University
○ Sugako Tamura	University of Toyama
Kieko Yasuda	Nagano College of Nursing
Mika Hasegawa	University of Fukui
Tazuyo Shiga	Oita University

### 4. Education Committee

◎ Sachiyo Murashima	Oita University of Nursing and Health Sciences
○ Miyuki Ishibashi	Chiba University
Tomoko Ando	Chiba Institute of Science
Noriko Sato	Chiba Prefectural University of Health Sciences
Akiko Ozaki	Tohoku University
Emiko Kishi	Toho University
Yoko Yamazaki	University of Yamanashi

Takae Suwabe	Asakusa Medical Association Home-visit Nursing Care Station
Kotomi Akahoshi	Oita University of Nursing and Health Sciences

#### 5. International Exchange Promotion Committee

◎ Ayumi Kono	Department of Home Health Nursing, Osaka City University
○ Kaoru Konishi	Osaka University
Chikage Tsuzuki	Kobe City College of Nursing
Kumiko Morita	Tokyo Medical and Dental University
Yukiko Kanaya	Osaka City University

#### 6. Committee of the Social Insurance Union Societies Related to Nursing

◎ Mikako Arakida	International University of Health and Welfare
○ Misako Miyazaki	Chiba University
Megumi Hobo	International University of Health and Welfare
Etsuko Fuchita	Nagoya University
Yumiko Kiyosaki	The National Association for Home-visit

	Nursing Care
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#### 7. Thesis Award Committee

◎ Tadaka Etsuko	Yokohama City University
○ Masae Ueno	Osaka Prefecture University
Mitsuko Kitayama	Gifu College of Nursing
Emiko Saito	Tokyo Metropolitan University
Yoko Hatono	Kyushu University

#### 8. Committee for Improvement of Disaster Relief

◎ Sanae Haruyama	Jichi Medical University
○ Yukiko Anzai	Miyagi University
Mari Ueno	Natori Office, Japan Visiting Nursing Foundation
Yuko Ushio	University of Hyogo
Hiroko Okuda	National Institute of Public Health
Minako Sawai	Japanese Red Cross College of Nursing
Hiroko Shimada	Jichi Medical University

## Brief Report on 6th ICCHNR

The 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Community Health Nursing Research

“Knowledge Translation into Community Health Nursing: Health Promotion across the Lifespan”

August 19-21, 2015

Seoul National University Cultural Convention Center, Seoul, Korea

### Akie Ayabe

Department of Nursing, Ibaraki Prefectural University of Health Sciences

I attended the 6th ICCHNR on the 20th and 21st. Through keynote speeches, symposium, and presentations, I learned about research and regional health care initiatives being conducted all over the world, to benefit people of all different age groups.

Presentations by speakers from all over the world placing particular emphasis on real-world



implementation, like one presentation on the work of community health nurses in the Philippines after the recent typhoon disaster and another presentation about mother and child care in Malawi, left a strong impression on me. Also I attended a symposium on health promotion for children and adolescents. When we discussed issues like tooth decay, body weight regulation, poor vision, and food and nutrition education, I had a strong sense that even in different countries, many of the health care challenges people face are

the same.

I gave a poster presentation on the challenges faced by a group of people, forced by the 2011 the Great East Japan Earthquake and tsunami to relocate from Fukushima to Tokyo, in rebuilding their lives. I feel that support for disaster victims must be maintained in the long term. At present they are still receiving support. I was grateful for the opportunity to report on these disaster relief activities in an international setting.

Participating in this ICCHNR gave me many opportunities to consider what a community health nurse specializing in community health care can do. Looking ahead, I would like to continue to learn about and participate in community health nursing care work, with a new international perspective.

#### **Naoko Katakura**

Kobe City College of Nursing

I participated in the 6th ICCHNR from Aug. 19th to 21st in Korea. Although I had some opportunities to present my research on international conferences, it has been a long time since I gave an oral presentation in English. The title of my presentation was 'Exploring factors for expanding nurse staff in home-visit nursing offices. I focused on the management of home visit-nursing offices in an anonymous prefecture in Japan. Although I prepared my presentation carefully, I tensed up when my turn came. I was happy when some faculty members asked me questions, I was also glad to get feedback from native English faculty. They told me that the English in my presentation was flawless and the topic of home-visit nursing was interesting. As I am not a native speaker, it was a very kind compliment. I was also pleased that Korean faculty asked me about Comprehensive

Care System in Japan, because the health care system in Korea was modeled on Japanese long term care insurance. This conference gave me some more confidence in oral presentation.

I was happy to meet my former colleagues. Coincidentally, we booked the same hotel, so we could enjoy this conference together. I enjoyed the experience during the 6th ICCHNR. I hope to meet and talk with foreign faculty members that I met in this conference in the near future.

#### **Mai Kabayama**

Graduate School of Medicine, Osaka University

The 6th ICCHNR was held from August 19th to 21st, 2015, in Seoul, Korea. The theme of the conference was "knowledge translation into community health nursing".

This ICCHNR was my first experiencing to make oral presentation on the stage at an international conference. My presentation was on the associated factors with frailty of the community-dwelling older people, which I investigated through the collaboration work with public health nurses in Hirakata-City, Osaka. I received many questions and comments from researchers of various countries. It was very exciting and interesting to share opinions directly with foreign researchers. I was inspired by communicating with people from different cultural backgrounds. This trip to Seoul was an opportunity for me to learn not only the differences but also the similarity of challenges of community health nursing even in different countries, which gave me the new idea to develop my further research.

During the conference, I had the chance to talk with Dr. Insook Lee, the Chair of the 2015 Seoul ICCHNR organizing committee. I would like to

express my sincere gratitude for her giving me the insights on how important it is to make partnership, collaboration, and strong relationships between researchers and knowledge-users. I could reconfirm this idea as critical awareness for my further career. I would also like to express my appreciation to the staff and students in University of Seoul who were so kind and supported us throughout our stay in Seoul. Their smiles and great support were really impressive for me. Thank you very much to all of the people I met in Seoul.

**Miho Hamayoshi**

School of Health Sciences, Bukkyo University

I participated in the 6th International Conference on Community Health Nursing Research, held at Seoul National University on 19–21 August, where I presented my work at a poster session.

The conference was attended by 750 delegates from 19 countries. Around 300 posters were presented, showcasing various research findings in community nursing practice.

Owing to the large number of posters presented, I was not able to study each in depth; however, a high proportion demonstrated excellent research findings and compelling design, which proved educational nonetheless.

A common focus of the symposiums was the use of EBP or Translational Research in community nursing practice and research.

Lunches were held daily at a different student dining hall and I enjoyed sampling a variety of traditional Korean foods.

In the closing ceremony, the next president announced that the Republic of South Africa would host the 7th ICCHNR. A presentation of the

forthcoming conference facility showed that it promises good access to the airport as well as picturesque natural surrounds.

In the Closing Remarks and Prize-giving session, five teachers and their students were awarded poster prizes. Of these, two Japanese faculty members and one Japanese student were recipients.

I was very proud of the Japanese winners, and was inspired to continue contributing my work at future poster sessions. International conferences like the ICCHNR provide an outstanding opportunity to understand global trends in research, and offer immense value to the scientific community.

**Tomoko Fujita**

School of Nursing, Takarazuka University

I joined the 6th ICCHNR conference in Korea and announced our research on a poster. I explained our research to Korean students who eagerly read our poster. We spoke in English even though it was not a native language for any of us, but I experienced a lot of fun in the process. The study topics were fascinating and members of the nursing community were interested in each other, even if the communication was a little broken.

Researchers from Oceania, Europe, Asia and elsewhere joined this international conference to discuss their studies. I recognized that the methodology and outcomes of studies were common topics and important for study design.

I listened intently to the welcome and opening remarks, keynote lecture and the guest lecture. I want to work on an evidence-based study in the future.

### The 3rd KOREA-JAPAN Joint Conference on Community Health Nursing

**Theme** : Challenges and Future Directions: Disaster Preparedness and Nursing

**Date** : July 1-3, 2016 (Friday - Sunday)

**Venue** : Busan Bexco, South Korea

**Chair** : Kyung Ja June (Next president of KACHN)

**Co-chair** : Misako Miyazaki (President of JACHN)

**Program** : ◆Plenary Session ◆Invited Lecture ◆Concurrent session ◆Poster round

**Website** : <http://kjcchn.or.kr>

### The 19th Annual Research Conference of JACHN

Japan faces significant challenges in building-up the integrated community care system, and public health crisis management. The 19th Annual Research Conference of JACHN will showcase the research and forum to address these challenges.

**Theme** : The Nursing Management and Leadership Considering Regional Characteristics

**Date** : August 26-27, 2016 (Friday - Saturday)

**Venue** : Jichi Medical University, School of Nursing

**Chair** : Sanae Haruyama (Jichi Medical University, School of Nursing, Professor)

**Program** :

◆Chairperson's speech: Sanae Haruyama

“The Nursing Management and Leadership Considering Regional Characteristics.”

◆Keynote speech: Ryoza Nagai (Jichi Medical University, School of Medicine, President)

“Regional health care system and data utilization in the near future”

◆Educational lecture ◆Symposium ◆Poster presentations ◆Workshops ◆Banquet

**Website** : <http://jachn19.yupia.net>

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