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## **PIAC Newsletter**

### President's Message

Professor Janet WONG

Dear Members,

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I address you as we reflect on the achievements of our association over the past year.

In December 2024, we successfully held our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Induction Ceremony, a momentous occasion that brought together our community to celebrate growth, leadership, and the future of nursing. I am glad to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the 90 new inductees with 15 nurse leaders, 16 graduate students and 59 undergraduate students who have joined us. In addition, we have also elected our incredible team of new Board of Directors. Your dedication to the PIAC and commitment to excellence inspire all our members, and I look forward to their contributions in advancing the goals of our association. After the ceremony, we are also honoured to have Ms Kathy CHEUNG, President of the Hong Kong College of Community and Public Health Nursing to deliver a keynote speech for us. The topic is "A Retrospective and Prospective View of Primary Health Care Nursing Development in Hong Kong". It helps our members to learn more about our roles in primary care.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize and celebrate a remarkable achievement by our own members. Congratulations to Professor Rick KWAN, Professor Ka Ming CHOW and Professor Jojo KWOK for being selected as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN). This prestigious honour is a testament to their outstanding leadership, research, innovation, and unwavering commitment to improving healthcare and nursing practice. Your accomplishment not only brings pride to our association but also serves as an inspiration to all of

Sigma is an international community of nurses, dedicated to the advancement of knowledge, teaching, learning, and service through the cultivation of communities of practice, education, and research. Sigma has a plethora of professional development, lifelong learning, relevant training and resources available to its members. Many of the resources are also available to non-members looking for opportunities to stay relevant and equipped for contemporary practice in the 21st Century. Please also save the dates for two important events Sigma's 36th International Nursing Research Congress in Seattle this July and the 48th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis in November. Let us know if you are planning to join and we can have little gathering at the conferences.

Thank you for your continued dedication and support. I am honoured to serve as your President and look forward to meeting every one of you in our upcoming events with meaningful connections, strategic conversations and committed work in the year ahead.



Warm Regards,

Janet WONG, PhD, RN, FHKCHSE, FCHSM, FAAN

President

Pi Iota at-Large Chapter, Sigma



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## Sigma Pi lota at-Large Chapter (PIAC) Annual General Meeting and Induction Ceremony 2024

On 8 December 2024, the Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter (PIAC) held its Annual General Meeting and Induction Ceremony at Hong Kong Metropolitan University, marking a significant milestone in our commitment to nursing excellence. The event brought together esteemed nurse leaders, graduates, and undergraduates, fostering a spirit of collaboration and dedication to the nursing profession.

The ceremony commenced with an inspiring presidential message emphasising the importance of diverse leadership within the nursing community. The president highlighted our ongoing initiative to invite passionate nurse leaders from various settings to join us as members of the board, which enhances our Board's capabilities, ultimately providing better services and support for nurses across Hong Kong and the Asia region.

Following the presidential address, the Board Members for the year 2024/2025 were introduced. Their commitment and leadership will be instrumental as we work together to advance the nursing profession and advocate for the needs of our members.

An important moment of the ceremony was the induction of new members, including accomplished nurse leaders, recent graduates, and enthusiastic undergraduates. Each inductee brought a wealth of knowledge and a commitment to excellence, enriching our Chapter.

The event concluded with a sense of unity and purpose, as members left inspired to contribute to the ongoing advancement of nursing practice. We look forward to the year ahead, filled with opportunities for collaboration, growth, and service within our vibrant nursing community.



Group photo with Board Members at the Annual General Meeting



# Sigma Pi lota at-Large Chapter (PIAC) Annual General Meeting and Induction Ceremony 2024 (cont.)

A special thank you to Ms Kathy CHEUNG, President of the Hong Kong College of Community and Public Health Nursing, for honouring us with her inspiring keynote speech.



Warm welcome to all new members to Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter



Presentation of Academic Scholarship Awards





## Pi lota at-Large Chapter Academic Scholarship Award 2023/2024

This year, we are proud to announce a total of six outstanding awardees for the Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter Academic Scholarship Award 2023/2024. These scholarships recognise the dedication and excellence of nursing students and professionals who are committed to advancing the field of healthcare. We look forward to seeing their contributions to the nursing profession and beyond. Congratulations to all our scholarship recipients!

<u>Category</u>	Name of Applicant	<u>Institute</u>
A1	Mr NG Siu Laam Lyman	Tung Wah College
A2	Mr CHUNG Ho Ming	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Вз	Miss NG Cheuk Yee	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
C5	Miss ZHANG Bohan	The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
C6	Ms WANG Ruohan	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
C8	Ms LI Yajie	The University of Hong Kong

#### **Inductee List 2024**

The Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter (PIAC) proudly welcomed a remarkable cohort of 90 inductees during the 2024 Induction Ceremony. We were honoured to welcome 15 esteemed nurse leaders, 16 graduates and 59 enthusiastic undergraduates, each eager to embark on their nursing journey and contribute to our mission.

These inductees represent a total of 12 institutions, showcasing the collaborative spirit of nursing education across our region. This diversity not only strengthens our Chapter but also reflects the rich tapestry of knowledge and experience that each member brings.

Once again, congratulations to all our inductees; we are excited to have you as part of the Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter family!

#### **Nurse Leaders**

Prof CHENG Ho Yu

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Prof CHEUNG Tan

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Ms Myrian FAN Sze Nga

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Tre Chinese University of Hong Kong
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Ms WONG Lin Kwan Hong Kong Baptist University

Prof Janelle YORKE The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Ms LEUNG Shuk Fun Tung Wah College

Prof XIAO Qian Capital Medical University

Dr LAI Ching Ting National Taipei University of Nursing and Health Sciences

Ms KWOK Yuen Ming Hong Kong Metropolitan University

Mr CHAU Ho Kei Hospital Authority
Dr Danny TONG Wah Kun Hospital Authority
Ms YEUNG Sui Ying Hospital Authority

Prof XIAO Huimin School of Nursing, Fujian Medical University



## **Inductee List 2024 (cont.)**

#### Graduates

Mr CHAN Sin Lun The Chinese University of Hong Kong The Chinese University of Hong Kong Mr Albert CHAN Ho Hin The Chinese University of Hong Kong Ms CHEN Yongfeng Mr HUANG Ka Wai The Chinese University of Hong Kong Mr HUANG Zehao The Chinese University of Hong Kong Ms Zoe KWOK Ching Man The Chinese University of Hong Kong Mr LEUNG Ka Wai The Chinese University of Hong Kong Ms MA Xing The Chinese University of Hong Kong The Chinese University of Hong Kong Miss NG Cheuk Yee The Chinese University of Hong Kong Ms WANG Ruohan The Chinese University of Hong Kong Mr WONG Lok Sang

The University of Hong Kong Mr ZHOU Jie

Miss LI Mengli The Hong Kong Polytechnic University The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Miss MAK Pui Ying Miss ZHANG Bohan The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Mr YI Mo Peking University

#### <u>Undergraduates\*</u> (by Alphabetical order and gender)

Miss CHAN Lai Yiu Miss LEE Ming Suet Miss WU Po Yee Bowie Miss CHAN Nap Yan Deborah Miss LEUNG Hei To Miss YU Hiu Lam Miss CHAN Sze Ki Miss LEUNG Ka Man Mr CHAN Kin Fat Miss CHAN Yan Ting Miss LEUNG Wing Sze Mr CHU Ki Chun Miss CHAU Pui Kwan Miss LI Wing Hei Mr CHUNG Ho Ming Miss CHENG Wen Yin Miss LI Yee Ting Mr FUNG Tsz Hin Miss Lonky YIP Miss CHENG Wing Chi Mr HO Kin Sing Miss CHEUNG Shuk Yu Miss NG Ching Tung Mr KWONG Hoi Lok Miss CHIU Cheuk Kwan Miss NG Lok Lam Mr LAM Wai Ho Miss Chloe CHIU Suet Ching Miss NG Wai Ying Mr LAM Wai Tsun Miss CHONG Nga Yee Miss SZE Ka Yan Mr LAU Chun Shing Miss TANG Sum Yi Mr LEUNG Tsun Hin Cyrus Miss CHOW Yan Hei Miss CHUNG Lai Sze Miss TONG Sum Yu Mr LIU Man Hong Miss TSAI Yi Yi Miss FONG Yuen Ting Mr LO Chun Wing Miss FUNG Yan Yu Claudia Mr LO Ming Laam Miss TSANG Wing Hei Miss KWOK Yee Man Miss WONG Hiu Man Mr PANG Hon Tak Miss LAM Ching Yiu Miss WONG Hiu Man Mr TSE Wing Tsun Kevin Miss LAM Kam Ip Miss WONG Ka Ying Mr YEUNG Chun Hey Miss LAU Hiu Ching Mr YUEN King Tung Miss WONG Sau Ching Miss LEE Long Yung Miss WU Ching Man

<sup>\*</sup>Undergraduates includes students from Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong Metropolitan University, School of Nursing, Caritas Medical Centre, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Tung Wah College



## Celebrating PIAC nurse leaders' induction as Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing

We are thrilled to celebrate that three of our nurse leaders from the PIAC, Professor Rick KWAN, Professor CHOW Ka Ming and Professor Jojo KWOK, had been inducted as Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN) for their profound contributions to the field of nursing in 2024! We are proud of having them with us. Let's humbly learn from their sharing and congratulate them for their achievements.

For more information about FAAN.

Please visit: American Academy of Nursing



Professor Rick KWAN (right), Professor CHOW Ka Ming (middle) and Professor Jojo KWOK (left) attended the American Academy of Nursing's Health Policy Conference in Washington, DC from 31 October – 2 November 2024, and were inducted as FAAN.

## **Sharing by Professor Rick KWAN**



I am honoured to share that in 2024, I was inducted into the FAAN for my contributions to nursing. My work in advancing digital technologies, such as virtual reality and wearable devices, has impacted health outcomes and clinical practices for older adults, as well as nursing education. I have focused on using e-health techniques like tele-supervision, auto-coaching, and digital gamification to promote healthy behaviours and mental well-being. Additionally, I have developed digital tools to enhance nursing students' learning experiences and bridge the theory-practice gap. This recognition is not just a personal honour but a testament to the collective impact of nurse leaders. I met many great leaders from Sigma at the induction ceremony who are also fellow members of the academy. I encourage you, who have also done wonderful work, to be inducted into and recognised by the academy. More PIAC members joining the academy can make our Chapter more influential regionally and globally.

## **Sharing by Professor CHOW Ka Ming**

It's my honour to be inducted as fellow by the American Academy of Nursing in 2024. I am grateful that my contributions in both research, education, and professional service received such prestigious recognition in nursing. I am dedicated to improving the quality of nursing care and contributing to the betterment of the patients, particularly sexuality care for gynaecological and breast cancer patients. I have been advancing the nursing education through innovative teaching and learning practices, advocating curriculum design and revamp, particularly in promoting interprofessional education.

I am truly thankful to the Nethersole School of Nursing, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, where I was nurtured and devoted over years.

As a member of the big family of the Sigma Nursing, I am excited to go hand-in-hand expanding the nursing power with experts and professionals from over the world and bringing in new ideas and offer an Asian perspective to raise the global awareness on the importance of sexual health.



## **Sharing by Professor Jojo KWOK**



I am deeply honoured to be inducted as a 2024 Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN) in my early career. This achievement marks a significant milestone in my nursing journey and is a testament to the unwavering support from my sponsors, Profs. Doris YU and GJ MELENDEZ, my advisors, Profs. Sarah KAGAN and Hugh McKENNA, and my mentors at HKU School of Nursing, Prof. Edmond CHOI and Prof. CC LIN. I also owe a heartfelt thanks to my family, especially my husband and our two kids, who constantly encourage me to pursue my passions.

As a nurse, advocating for compassion in healthcare—from education to leadership—is always my priority. Key takeaways from the recent Health Policy Conference include empowering advice from Profs. Jing WANG and Ernest J. GRANT: as nurses, we should dream big and be both present and loud. If there's no seat for you at the table, bring your own chair. In moments of frustration, remember the wisdom of Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero of Guam: look in the mirror and affirm, "You are important". Thank you to the American Academy of Nursing for paving the way for nurses to lead and thrive!



## **Our Chapter's Website**

The official website of Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter has been available since February 2024. Explore the website at <a href="https://piiotaatlarge.org/">https://piiotaatlarge.org/</a> to learn more about our mission, membership opportunities, upcoming events, and informative seminars. You may also access to our Facebook page or Instagram for more recent information!

Stay connected with the latest news, Chapter annual reports, and exclusive newsletters that provide valuable insights into the nursing profession!





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PIAC Instagram www.instagram.com/sigmapiiotaatlargechapter/

## **Ongoing and Upcoming Events**

#### 36th International Nursing Research Congress

Date: 17 -20 July 2025

Venue: Seattle, Washington, USA Registration Deadline: 18 June 2025

Join Sigma to connect and engage with over 800 nurse researchers, students, clinicians, and leaders who are focused on evidence-based research. Website: <a href="https://www.sigmanursing.org/connect-engage/meetings-events/congress">www.sigmanursing.org/connect-engage/meetings-events/congress</a>

#### **Asia Regional Conference 2025**

Date: 6 – 7 December 2025 (Preliminary)

Venue: Singapore

Stay connected with the latest news and the event update!

#### Share with us!

We believe that each of you has unique experiences and insights that can enrich our collective journey in nursing. If you wish, please share your information to piiotaatlarge@gmail.com. Deadline for the next newsletter would be **30 June 2025**.

Thank you for your continued engagement and support. Together, we can highlight the vibrant spirit of Sigma Pi Iota at-Large Chapter!