



香港學術及職業資歷評審局
Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of
Academic & Vocational Qualifications

SUMMARY ACCREDITATION REPORT

**The School of Nursing, Hong Kong Sanatorium &
Hospital**

Learning Programme Re-accreditation

**Higher Diploma in Nursing (Enrolled Nurse - General)
Programme**

July 2017

This accreditation report is issued by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ) in its capacity as the Accreditation Authority as provided for under the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Ordinance (Cap 592) (AAVQO). This report outlines the HKCAAVQ's determination, the validity period of the determination as well as any conditions or restrictions on the determination.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Established in 1927, the School of Nursing, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital is committed to ensuring a steady supply of qualified and professional nurses to meet the manpower requirements of the Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital.
- 1.2 Based on the Service Agreement, HKCAAVQ was commissioned by the School of Nursing, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital (香港養和醫院護士學校) (the Operator) to conduct a Learning Programme Re-Accreditation exercise to assess and determine whether the Higher Diploma in Nursing (Enrolled Nurse - General) Programme continues to achieve the stated objectives and meets the Qualifications Framework (QF) standard at QF Level 4.
- 1.3 The accreditation exercise was conducted according to the relevant accreditation guidelines referred to in the Service Agreement and the Terms of Reference stated therein. The Education Bureau's *"Updated Revised Common Descriptors for Associate Degree and Higher Diploma Programmes under the New Academic Structure"* is also a guiding document used by the Panel and the Operator in conducting this validation exercise for the Higher Diploma programme. A site visit took place on 24-25 May 2017.

2. HKCAAVQ's Accreditation Determination

Having due consideration of the accreditation panel's observations and comments as presented in this Report, HKCAAVQ makes the following accreditation determination:

Approval

Name of Operator(s)	The School of Nursing, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital 香港養和醫院護士學校
Name of Award Granting Body	The School of Nursing, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital 香港養和醫院護士學校
Title of Learning Programme	Higher Diploma in Nursing (Enrolled Nurse - General) Programme 護理學高級文憑（登記護士 - 普通科）課程
Title of Qualification(s) (Exit Award(s))	Higher Diploma in Nursing (Enrolled Nurse - General) 護理學高級文憑（登記護士 - 普通科）
Primary Area of Study and Training	Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences

Sub-area (Primary Area of Study and Training)	Nursing
Other Area of Study and Training	Not applicable
Sub-area (Other Area of Study and Training)	Not applicable
Industry	Not applicable
Branch	Not applicable
QF Level	Level 4
QF Credits	440 (including 175 QF credits of practicum)
Mode(s) of Delivery and Programme Length	Full-time 2 years (4,396 notional learning hours, including 2,856 contact hours)
Intermediate Exit Award(s)	Not applicable
Validity Period	1 September 2017 to 31 August 2021
Number of Enrolment(s)	One enrolment per year
Maximum Number of New Students	Maximum of 140 learners per year Maximum of 1 class per year
Specification of Competency Standards-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Specification of Generic (Foundation) Competencies-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Notes to be indicated on the QR	This programme includes Clinical Practicum for 175 QF credits to be conducted in 50 weeks. 此課程包括 50 星期的實習，佔 175 資歷學分。
Address of Teaching/ Training Venue(s)	1. 11/F, One Island South, 2 Heung Yip Road, Wong Chuk Hang, Hong Kong 香港黃竹坑香葉道 2 號 One Island South 11 樓 2. Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital, 2 Village Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong. 香港跑馬地山村道 2 號養和醫院

Requirement	Date of Fulfilment
1. The Operator is to provide an approval document from the Nursing Council of Hong Kong to demonstrate the programme has been re-accredited for the purpose of enrollment under the Nurses Registration Ordinance (Cap. 164). The Operator is to submit the document to HKCAAVQ on or before 30 June 2019.	30 June 2019

Recommendations
1. The Operator should strengthen the teaching on health education and promotion at an individual level in the subject “Concepts of Health and Health Care”. 2. The Operator should provide more information on students’ performance to External Examiners to seek external opinions on the major outcomes of the programme.

3. Programme Details

The following is the programme information provided by the Operator.

3.1 Programme Objectives

- To prepare students with the necessary generic academic and nursing professional specific knowledge and skills at Higher Diploma Enrolled Nurse level via the blending of theoretical knowledge and practical application; and
- To equip students with the essential knowledge and skills for enrolment with the Nursing Council of Hong Kong (NCHK) as Enrolled Nurses (General).

3.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate ability in acquiring knowledge for continuous personal and professional development;
- Communicate effectively with individuals, families, groups and the community;
- Provide safe, professional and quality client-oriented care to clients in collaboration with other healthcare team members;
- Provide health education and promotion to individuals, families and the community;
- Acquire the essential knowledge and skills for enrolment with the Nursing Council of Hong Kong as Enrolled Nurses (General):
 - practise in accordance with legislations, common laws, policies, procedures and ethical principles affecting nursing;
 - provide quality client-oriented care through contributing to health assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of care in collaboration with the

- registered nurse and other health care team members;
- contribute to quality and risk management;
- restore and promote health in collaboration with other health care team members;
- maintain own physical, mental and emotional well-being;
- assume responsibility for own actions and remain accountable in providing delegated nursing care within the scope of Enrolled Nurse practice;
- appreciate research findings and evidence-based practice;
- work harmoniously and cohesively with all health care team members to achieve effective health care outcome;
- acquire solid foundation of generic skills, including language, information technology, interpersonal communication, quantitative and analytical skills, as well as the ability to learn;
- evaluate different appropriate approaches critically to solve problems in nursing and to propose solution;
- gain theoretical foundation upon which further study at the level of bachelor degree in nursing can be built;
- demonstrate a strong sense of social responsibility and civic values, a passion in pursuing creativity and innovation, and a spirit of lifelong learning; and
- appreciate the major socio-political, cultural and economic issues in local, national, regional and international contexts.

3.3 Programme Structure

Subject	QF Credit
Microbiology	
Human Anatomy & Physiology I	
Human Anatomy & Physiology II	
English for Academic Purposes	
Chinese Language	
Fundamental of Pathophysiology and Pharmacology	
Communication and Health Informatics	
Introduction of Alternative Medicine	
Introduction to Behavioural Science	
Concepts of Health and Health Care	
Professional Nursing Practices I	
Professional Nursing Practices II	
Specialty Nursing I	
Specialty Nursing II	
Foundations of Quality Improvement and Team Work	
General Nursing I	
General Nursing II	
General Nursing III	
Nursing Therapeutics I	
Nursing Therapeutics II	
Nursing Therapeutics III	
Nursing Therapeutics IV	

Clinical Practicum I	
Clinical Practicum II	
Clinical Practicum III	
Clinical Practicum IV	
Total	440

3.4 Graduation Requirements

- Obtain a pass in all subjects; and
- Achieve graduation GPA of 2.0 or above.

3.5 Admission Requirements

- For candidates with Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination (HKALE) qualifications
 - Grade E in one HKALE A-Level subject; or Grade E in two HKALE AS-Level subjects, which may include Use of English and Chinese Language and Culture and;
 - Grade E or above in 5 Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination (HKCEE) subjects:
 - (i) Chinese Language at grade D/Level 3 or above
 - (ii) English Language (syllabus B) at Grade D or above, or English Language (syllabus A) at Grade B/Level 3 or above
 - (iii) Mathematics at Grade E or above;
 - (iv) Any one of the following science subjects at Grade E or above: Biology, Chemistry, Human Biology, and Physics;
 - (v) Any one other subject at Grade E or above, which may include: Biology, Chemistry, Human Biology, Physics, Chinese Literature, Chinese History, English Literature, History, Geography, Social Studies, Economics & Public Affairs, Religious Studies, Buddhist Studies;
 - (vi) Any one of the subjects listed in (i) to (v) above must be at Grade C (or level 3 for English Language or Chinese Language) or above; and
 - Meet the Minimum Entry Requirements for Training of Enrolled Nurses as stipulated by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.
- For candidates with Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) qualifications
 - Obtain Level 2 or above in 5 subjects, including Chinese Language, English Language, Mathematics and any two other subjects in Categories A and B in the HKDSE examination; and
 - Meet the Minimum Entry Requirements for Training of Enrolled Nurses as stipulated by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.
- For candidates with Pre-Associate Degree qualifications
 - Have satisfactory completion of the programme offered by a recognised institution; and
 - Meet the Minimum Entry Requirements for Training of Enrolled Nurses as stipulated by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.
- For mature candidates
 - Has reached the age of 25 on or before the first day of the month of the year

- of admission; and
- Meet the Minimum Entry Requirements for Training of Enrolled Nurses as stipulated by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.

4. Appeal

- 4.1 If the Operator is aggrieved by the determination made in this accreditation report, then pursuant to Part 3 of the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Ordinance (AAVQO) (Cap 592) the Operator has a right of appeal to the Appeal Board. Any appeal must be lodged within 30 days of the receipt of this accreditation report. Please refer to Cap. 592A (<http://www.legislation.gov.hk/eng/home.htm>) for the appeal rules. Details of the appeal procedure are contained in section 13 of the AAVQO and can be accessed from the QF website at <http://www.hkqf.gov.hk>.

5. Substantial Change

- 5.1 The accreditation status of the learning programme(s) will lapse upon the expiry of the validity period or HKCAAVQ may withdraw the accreditation status at any time during the validity period if there are substantial changes made to the programme(s) that have not been approved by HKCAAVQ. Please refer to the '*Guidance Notes on Substantial Change to Accreditation Status*' in seeking approval for proposed changes. The Guidance Notes can be downloaded from the HKCAAVQ website.

6. Qualifications Register

- 6.1 Qualifications accredited by HKCAAVQ are eligible for entry into the Qualifications Register (QR) at <http://www.hkqr.gov.hk> for recognition under the Qualifications Framework (QF). Operators should apply separately to have their quality-assured qualifications entered into the QR.
- 6.2 Only learners who commence the study of the named accredited learning programme during the validity period and who have graduated with the named qualification listed in the QR will be considered to have acquired a qualification recognised under the QF.

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