



A365 CONTINUES TO EXPAND ITS RANGE OF MATERIALS

A365, CCIHPs innovative web-based platform to support parents of children with ASD continues to deliver effective and efficient tools to support screening and interventions. Up to May 2018, approximately 13,000 screening tests (ASQ and CHAT tests) were

taken for children from 9 months to 48 months on a365.vn. More than 65 modeling video clips were developed and posted in a365.vn to support parents with autistic children for home-based intervention. In August 3 more modelling video were developed.

YOUTH ACTIVISTS FORUM ON SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS

A Youth Activists Forum on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights was held in Hanoi, from 22nd to 24th August. The forum brought together 30 young leaders from many youth-led organisations and networks to share and exchange best practices for creating safe spaces in which young people can discuss issues around sex. The forum included ethnic minority youth, LGBTIQ youth and young people with disabilities. A range of diverse topics were discussed, including family planning and safe abortion, menstrual health and prevention of HIV and AIDS. The young people emphasised the importance of safe



spaces to discuss these issues, the need for confidentiality and also the importance being safe on-line.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CCIHP

CCIHP celebrated its 10th Anniversary in style at a fun-filled and interesting retreat at the beautiful Tan Da resort. At this event there were exciting team building games that generated much amusement and laughter but also built great team spirit. In the afternoon after a relaxing yoga session, CCIHPer's reflected on the organisations journey on

how it became on the most respected and successful NGOs in Vietnam. Team exercises gave everyone the time to reflect on CCIHPs values and what their roles are in the organisation and how we can all contribute to another great 10 years ahead, helping to ensure that everyone has the opportunity to live, healthy and fulfilled lives.

SUCCESSFUL INTRODUCTION TO NEWLY ARRIVED DEPUTY AMBASSADOR FROM THE NETHERLANDS

CCIHP welcomed Ms Baron, the newly appointed Deputy Ambassador for the Netherlands. This is Ms Baron's first visit to Vietnam and she is very much looking forward to her mission here, and CCIHP was one of the first Vietnamese organisations she visited.

She was introduced to CCIHPs work and in particular our roles in supporting youth networks and leadership. She was so impressed with the ideas that she asked CCIHP to submit a proposal, which has now been submitted so we are hopeful of hearing good news soon.

Upcoming events

Launch of joint CCIHP/CSAGA and UNFPA project on gender-based violence

Publication of the Expectant Fragments book

CCIHP WINS MAJOR NEW CONTRACT WITH USAID

After months of hard work and intensive negotiations, CCIHP has been awarded a significant new project supported by USAID. The project called I-Thrive is to pilot Inter-disciplinary health services to support children and young people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDDs) such as autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

The project will work in partnership with the Ministry of Health, and the international NGO, MCNV, to develop the skills of health workers in occupational therapy (OT), speech and language therapy, (SALT) and physical therapy (PT) and then facilitate their working together in multi-disciplinary teams. The project will also continue to develop A365 and the Vietnam Autism Network (VAN) to ensure that parents of children with ASD can deliver interventions and support to children in their own homes.



It will include international expertise from India and Australia to bring a broad range of expertise to develop these services and it will take place in Thua Thien Hue and Quang Nam provinces in central Vietnam.

At 2 million USD over 3 years, it is one of the largest projects that CCIHP has been awarded. It will be hard work but exciting times lay ahead, to help ensure young people with disabilities are able to thrive.

PREVENTION AND RESPONSE TO VIOLENCE AND HARMFUL PRACTICES

CCIHP has agreed the Annual Work Plan for strengthening the prevention and response to violence and harmful practices with UN-FPA. This signifies the beginning of this important joint effort and in September it

will be formally launched at a specific event. Also, in September it is planned to conduct a training workshop with young men to encourage their involvement in the prevention of gender-based violence.

BEHAVIOUR



SUMMER TEEN COUNCIL YOUTH CAMP

25 pupils from schools in Hanoi, participated in a summer camp from 3rd to 5th August at the Army Hotel. This annual event takes place every year, to empower and encourage school pupils to run and form Teen Councils where they can discuss and plan activities related to sexual and reproductive health and rights. This year the focus is on the important topic of prevention of sexual harassment and abuse in schools and anti-bullying policies. Even though this is a serious topic, it can still be addressed in a fun, innovative and lively way, with pupils learning about this topic through games, group discussions and art. As one pupil said.



“The camp is so cool, teachers are very fun. Teachers’ teaching methods are easy to understand. The games and group discussions helped members became close and friendly. I look forward to continuing to attend summer camps in the coming years”

PROMOTION OF ORAL QUICK HIV SELF TESTING



CCIHP’s HIV/AIDS research team conducted 2 field-trips for data collection in HCMC and Hanoi. The researchers conducted in-depth interviews and focus group discussions with the intimate partners of people who inject drugs and female sex workers to better

understand their preferences and concerns surrounding HIV testing.

This qualitative will be analysed in order to see how best to introduce and support the up-taking of HIV self-testing in these key populations.