The 33rd CMAAO General Assembly & 54th Council Meeting

Taiwan Medical Association
Country Report

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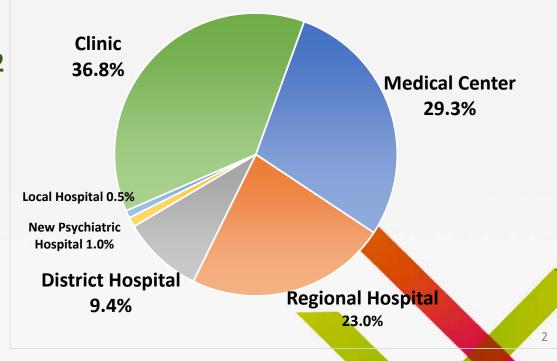


Distribution of Practitioners by Type of Healthcare Facilities, 2017

Number of practicing physicians: 46,452

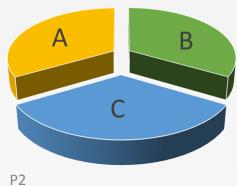
• Total population of Taiwan: 23,571,227

• Physician population ratio: 1:507



1. A-B-C approach for medical disputes resolution

- A. Legislation for reasonable criminal liabilities of medical practice
- B. Strengthening medical dispute resolution mechanism
- C. Fair compensation scheme



2. Patient Right to Autonomy Act to take effect in January 2019

- The Patient Right to Autonomy Act has 19 articles. Taiwan is the first country in Asia to legally protect the right of patients to end life support.
- Under five conditions which patients may choose to terminate their lives.
- Palliative care and other appropriate measures.

3. Advocating regulations regarding aesthetic medicine to protect physicians' rights and improve health care quality

The MoHW adopted TMA's recommendations in a public notice:

- High risk procedures such as cosmetic surgery shall be performed by physicians with specialty certification
- Certification for performing injection and optical and electrical based therapies have been adequately broaden the restriction.

4. TMA and MoHW work together on drafted regulation of telemedicine

- Telemedicine in Taiwan used to be applicable only among patients living in the mountains, outlying islands and remote areas.
- Telemedicine could also be used as in special occasions, such as:
 - > Three-month follow-up care after acute patients' discharge from hospital
 - > Chronic patients with refillable prescriptions and living in long-term care organizations
 - > Patients in the integrated primary care program
 - > Patients in an eHealth program or home-based care clients in the 3-month follow-up period
 - Patients with foreign nationality and living in another country

National Health Insurance

The National Health Insurance Administration (NHIA) implements hierarchy of medical care and bi-directional referral system

- A digital referral network interface has been set up on 1 March 2017 to facilitate referral and follow-up care.
- Adjustment of co-payment for outpatient visits and emergency service, and NHI referral policy has taken effect since 15 April, 2017.
- A financial incentive, promoted by TMA, will be introduced to encourage implementation of the bi-directional referral system from 1 July, 2018.

Governmental Programs

- Implementing "Primary care services review" project commissioned by the NHIA
- Implementing "Promoting international exchange and collaboration on health" project supported by MoHW

Publication

Taiwan Medical Journal



Statistics on Practicing Physicians and Healthcare Facilities in Taiwan 2017



TMA President Dr. Chiu Tai-yuan received the WONCA Asia-Pacific Five-Star Doctor Award





TMA and Global Healthcare Exchange Promotion Association, The Legislative Yuan of the R.O.C Delegation visited Japan Long-term Care & integrated Health Care System

(Feb. 1st-7th 2018)



TMA convened the International Symposium on Universal Health Coverage in collaboration with WMA 22 May 2018, InterContinental Hotel, Geneva, Switzerland



A video message from President Tsai Ing-wen



Group Photo

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TMA held the "International Symposium on Home Health Care" in collaboration with Japan Medical Association



Japan

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Malaysia

TMA Annual National Doctors' Day Celebration (Nov. 12th 2017)



Dr. Mari Michinaga, standing committee member of Japan Medical Association



Dr. Kin Choi President of Hong Kong Medical Association





Dr. Aye Aung, Vice President of Myanmar Medical Association

Dr. Kidaphol Wadhanakul, Chief of International Affairs of Medical Association of Thailand

Participation in international conferences and events

➤ The 32nd CMAAO General Assembly in Tokyo, Japan(Sep. 13th-15th 2017)





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> The 2018 WMA Council Session in Riga, Latvia(Apr. 26th-28th 2018)





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The 71st WHA in Geneva, followed by a meeting with WMA Secretary General Dr. Otmar Kloiber and Council Chairman Dr. Ardis Hoven (May 21st-26th 2018)





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➤ The 2018 American Medical Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, USA (June 6th-9th 2018)







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➤ The 2018 British Medical Association Annual Representative Meeting in Brighton, UK (June 24th 28th 2018)





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WMA President Dr. Yoshitake Yokokura participated in the 2017 Global Health Forum in Taipei, followed by an official visit to the President of the Legislative Yuan. (Oct. 22nd-23rd 2017)





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> TMA delegation visited Tokyo for the celebration of JMA President Yoshitake Yokokura taking office as the WMA President. (Feb. 2018)





International Exchanges

➤ A 20-member delegation of Health Insurance Review and Assessment Service from South Korea visited TMA (Nov. 30th 2017)





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➤ An 8-member delegation of Institute of Public Health and Medical Service, Seoul National University Hospital visited TMA (Dec. 7th 2017)



International Exchanges

➤ All Japan Taiwanese Union delegation visited TMA (March 22nd 2018)



International Exchanges

➤ A delegation of Japan Medical Association and private healthcare institutions visited TMA for the purpose of understanding Taiwan's healthcare and welfare system (May 2nd 2018)





Donation of USD10,000 to the WMA Travel Fund



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Future Plans

• TMA will host the 35th CMAAO General Assembly in 2020.

Thank you