

CRTGWH Newsletter



Special points of interest:

- Gender equity
- Gender inequality
- Research
- Women's Health
- Gender mainstreaming

The Centers of Research at Khon Kaen University

Khon Kaen University (KKU) held a meeting with all centers of research located in Khon Kaen University on the 9 January 2012 at Sirikunakorn Convention Hall, President of KKU Office. The main objective of the meeting was

to present the main achievements of each center in the past. In KKU there are 3 different fields of research centers, including: Health Science, Science and Technology, and Humanity and Social Sciences. CRTGWH, one of

the centers in the field of health science had the presence of Prof. Dr. Siriporn Chirawatkul, Director of CRTGWH. Prof. Siriporn gave a presentation on the overall achievement of the centre.



Prof. Siriporn speaking at the seminar of Specific Research Centers, Khon Kaen University



Participants at the seminar of Specific Research Centers

Eliminating Violence Against Child and Women

The 84th Meeting on Eliminating Violence Against Child and Women was held on the 24 April 2012 at the Laksanawijan Conference Room in Khon Kaen Rajnaraintra Psychiatric Hospital. Participants to this meeting included doctors, police officers, nurses, local administrators officers, public health officers, educators, and general participants. Dr. Wichai Assawapak,

Director of Nampong Hospital presided the event. He informed that the Meeting on Eliminating Violence against Child and Women has been obtaining great support from coordinating sectors and that this support has been assisting child and women who were abused. Additionally, data gathered during the meetings have been used to improve each sectors' per-

formances to benefit society. Prof. Dr. Siriporn Chirawatkul, Director of the WHO Collaborating Center for Research on Gender and Women's Health, (CRTGWH) gave a speech on working with young people. Prof. Siriporn Chirawatkul emphasized the need for "men of all ages to attend trainings related to violence against child and women."



Dr. Wichai Assawapak and Prof. Siriporn at the meeting.

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Organizers of the Digital Repository (from left: Mr. Maung Aung Myint, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Phitaya Charupoonphol, Prof. Dr. Visith Sitprijja, Dr. Orapin Singhadej and Mrs. Anchalee Chamchuglin)



Participants of the Digital Repository Training.

WHOCC and NEW-CCET Digital Repository Training

The Network of WHO Collaborating Centre and Centre of Expertise (NEW-CCET), in which CRTGWH is a member, organized a training on the Development of Digital Repositories on 24-26 January 2012. Mr. Erico Saito, a member of CRTGWH attended the training along with another 29 members of WHOCCs scattered around the country. A digital repository is a means to manage, store and provide access to digital content, much like a library catalog system. Adding digital content into an institutional repository enables institutions to manage, and preserve information. Typi-

cal contents can include research outputs such as journal articles or research data, e-theses, teaching materials, and administrative data. With the appropriate implementation, the data can be harvested by external services and be accessed by users outside an organization. The system give administrators the ability to control who can access and what type of information can be assessed within the database. The main objectives of the workshop included: 1) Describing the benefits of using DSpace software for digital repository; 2) Practicing application of DSpace soft-

ware for digital repository; 3) Creating own institutional digital repository system for information collection. DSpace is basically the platform that allows the administrator to capture or manage information. It indexes the information so that users are able to search and retrieve information. The training gave the participants a detailed instruction and a good understanding behind the installation process. In the form of examples it showed how the data should be organized and input into the system. CRTGWH shall implement the system in the near future.

Seminar of Specific Research Centers, Khon Kaen University

A seminar of Specific Research Centers located in Khon Kaen University was held on 3-4 February 2012, at Prajaktar Hotel, Udonthani. The main objectives of the seminar was to plan the working process and consider the management of all the centers within Khon Kaen University. Prof. Dr. Sutthipan Jitpimol-

mas, Vice-director for Research and Technology welcomed the participants and presided the meeting. He opened the seminar under the topic "Direction and policies of research and the promotion and support for specific research centers in Khon Kaen University." During the seminar, there were a special lecture given by

Prof. Dr. Sutthipan Jitpimolmas himself and Prof. Dr. Parinya Jindaprasert. Discussions on the direction and the future of specific research centers in the next decade were also given by some participants. The meeting ended with the summary of activities the attendants discussed and debated.



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International Women's Day 2012

The International Women's Day is on its 101st year since its establishment. This event is celebrated throughout the world and different events are held throughout Thailand to mark the occasion. Thailand has been celebrating this event since 1989. This year, CRTGWH collaborating with the Nursing Service Department, Srinagarind Hospital organized, on the 8 March the "International Women's Day Exhibition 2012" in order to campaign for Thai women to be well-informed, consider

their rights of health care, and realize the importance of health promotion for themselves, families and the society. A campaign was held in the Nursing Service Department, Srinagarind Hospital. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Chanchai Phanthongwiriya-kul, Director of Srinagarind Hospital opened the ceremony. Prof. Dr. Siriporn Chirawatkul gave a presentation on this special day. She emphasized that "although women in Thailand seems to have the same rights and equality as

men, the fact is that only around 10 percent of women really does. In addition, these women must have been through many 'lessons' during their lifetime to prove themselves that they are better than men in what they do, so that they can stand where they are now". The event also showcased the women's success in building up courage and on the issues and problems that prevents women on using their courage to benefit their needs and society.



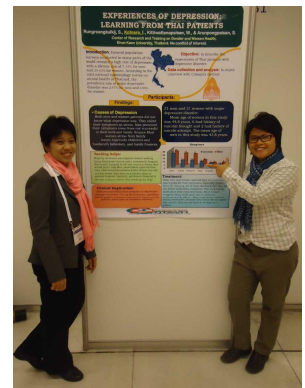
International Women's Day—8 March 2012.

20th European Congress of Psychiatry, Czech Republic

The 20th European Congress of Psychiatry was held between 3-6 March 2012 in Czech Republic. Assoc. Prof. Somporn Rungreangkulkit and Miss Ingkata Kotnara, members of CRTGWH attended the conference. The psychiatric congress under the theme 'Beyond Diversity, Towards Harmony', united a diverse groups of specialists from a wide range of countries and cultures to explore the important aspects of psychiatric

and neuropsychiatric diagnosis, research and treatment through a wide-ranging and comprehensive scientific programme, as well as offer an opportunity to share experiences and network. The programme delivered a rich mix of symposia, debates, state-of-the-art sessions, workshops and update sessions, all of which underlines the commitment of the European Psychiatric Association (EPA) to furthering clinical practice, scien-

tific understanding and knowledge-sharing in an open and engaging environment. Assoc. Prof. Somporn Rungreangkulkit and Miss Ingkata Kotnara presented two research papers including: "Trapped in thoughts: Depression experiences from Thai men" and "Experiences of Depression: Learning from Thai Patients". EPA 2013 will take place in Nice, France, from 6-9 April, 2013.



Assoc. Prof. Somporn Rungreangkulkit and Miss Ingkata Kotnara at the 20th European Congress.



Assoc. Prof. Somporn Rungreangkulkit with participants of the congress





Important Information and Deadlines

The Centre for Research and Training on Gender and Women's Health (CRTGWH) is looking for new members. Application to join our centre is now open!

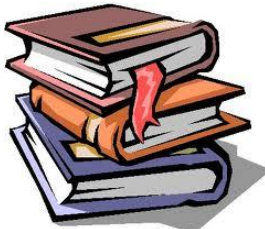
Qualifications:

- Lecturer/ Master or Ph.D students in Khon Kaen University
- Interested on issues regarding gender and women's health

Benefits:

- Gender Sensitive Research and Training
- Apply for Research Grants from the Centre
- Receive regular newsletters

Applications can be downloaded from our website on <http://crtgwh.kku.ac.th>



Journal Publications

Tubtimhin, S. and Rungreangkulkij, S (2012) Impact of Buddhism—Oriented Group Therapy on Anxiety and Depression Levels in Breast Cancer Patients Undergoing Radiotherapy. *Thai Journal of Nursing Council*; 27(1) 109-123.



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Improving the Health of Women and Contributing to the Achievement of Health Equity

Khon Kaen University along with CRTGWH recognizes the importance of improving the health of individuals of all ages and contributing to the achievement of health equity. CRTGWH has a commitment to strengthen the research capability of scholars through collaboration, research training and involvement in a variety of studies and research projects. The centre routinely provides training courses and workshops with emphasis on incorporating gender into women and health studies in response to current and emerging needs.

If you would like to discuss any research, training or workshop opportunities, or would like to simply enter in contact with us or know more about our centre please contact us.

