

History

Mobile clinics for aborigines in the mountainous areas of central Taiwan first started by Dr. Wei Sheih and maintained by Puli Christian Hospital till the present day. In order to ensure the well-being of the people in the remote Ren-Ai areas, the Ministry of Health commissioned PCH to carry out a number of health care plans, all of which help to promote a better medical quality for the people, and to ensure a steady medical supply for the residents.

Present Works

At present, several plans are implemented in various communities in Ren-Ai area. These projects are to collaborate with all the local clinics, and to establish a community-based health care system. For example, a new emergency station was set up in the Wu-She. Not only does this fulfill the needs of the residents there, it also solves the problem of medical deficiencies. In addition, a variety of disease prevention and health care seminars have also been held in local communities, educating people about their own health care, community health care, chronic diseases management, mental health management and prevention of tuberculosis etc. Recently, distant medical consultation sessions have also commenced via the system of telemedicine. Furthermore, a number of drinking-related problems have surfaced and alcohol control will be the focus of future plans.

Emergency medical services are extremely important for popular tourist areas. Therefore, the collaboration between the Ministry of Health and PCH also aims to expand the overall health care system from the remote areas to the busy sightseeing areas, so as to safeguard the safety of the tourists.

Vision for the future

The medical services in remote areas depend on a community-oriented health care system. It is of great significance for the communities to emphasize the quality of diagnosis and to stress the importance of disease prevention. The team of PCH, together with the support of local people, plays an active role in realizing the goals of this plan.

