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New Year Message

New era, new opportunities, new journey



The bell of the New Year is about to ring and we are all looking forward to welcoming 2019. On behalf of the Chinese Nursing Association (CNA), I would like to extend my sincere greetings and greatest respect to all nursing professionals across the country as we bid farewell to the old and usher in the new. I am likewise expressing my heartfelt gratitude to all our local and international colleagues, who have contributed to the development of China's nursing sector.

Led by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and the Chinese government, CNA united over 4 million nurses across the country to achieve productive results. The year 2018 marks the 40th anniversary of China's reform and opening up and is likewise a crucial year for the implementation of the 13th Five-Year Plan. Accordingly, CNA

has comprehensively strengthened the party leadership, adhered to the strategic deployment of the Party Central Committee and State Council, and relied on the capabilities of professionals and wisdom of experts to deepen reforms and forge ahead. "Improving soft power and building cultural confidence." In 2018, CNA stressed on the core culture of nursing; clarified and embraced the "root" and "soul" of nursing in China; defined the goal of developing the country's nursing sector; clarified the mission, vision, and values of CNA; formed the cultural and spiritual beliefs recognized by the majority of Chinese nurses; and established confidence in China's nursing culture. "Enhancing international exchange and cooperation for development." CNA responded to the "Belt and Road Initiative" and continued to strengthen communication and dialogue with the association's international counterparts. In particular, CNA participated in important international conferences, such as the International Council of Nurses' Member Representative Assembly, 5th China–Japan–Korea Nursing Conference, and 2nd BRICS National Nursing Forum. Meanwhile, CNA collaborated with the International Council of Nurses and American Heart Association to jointly train nursing talents, thereby further enhancing the international influence of China's nursing sector. "Persisting reform and invigorating the development." CNA also completed re-election of the working and professional committee members and editorial board members of three journals sponsored by the CNA, incorporated numerous academic scholars and young professionals to participate in the activities of the working and professional committees, branches of CNA. Six working and professional committees were added or adjusted on the basis of social needs and professional development. These endeavors strengthened the association's foundation in terms of enhancing the services that it provides. "Taking the initiative to shoulder the mission and strengthening the ties." In addition, CNA emphasized the roles of CPC and the Chinese government in relating with nurses, launched a nationwide celebration on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the "Nursing Regulations," and published the "Blue Book of the 10th Anniversary of the 'Nursing Regulations,'" thereby providing an important basis for reflecting the demands of the majority of nurses and assisting the government in the related decision-making. "Hard working yields fruitful results and opens a new chapter." Undoubtedly, CNA is moving forward and is among the organizations recognized in the "2018 World-class Society Construction Project" of the China Association for Science and Technology. In particular, CNA stood out from over 200 institutes in the country because of its outstanding achievements, thereby enabling CNA to receive additional funding. Hence, CNA is embarking on a new journey of building a world-class nursing society with Chinese characteristics.

As 2018 comes to a close, we look back at how CNA stood out

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and emerged despite the challenges and struggles that the organization has encountered. In 2019, our association will celebrate its 110th anniversary and we will continue to adhere to the guidelines of Xi Jinping's vision of socialism with Chinese characteristics and conscientiously implement the spirit of the 19th Party Congress. Moreover, CNA will strive to actively develop the ideas of openness, inclusiveness, and collaboration; create a humanized society; lead

nursing academics; promote nursing innovation and reform; trail-blaze a Belt and Road forum of nursing for international cooperation; and become an important part in globalizing nursing. Lastly, CNA intends to substantially contribute to the new development pattern in the country's nursing profession, implementation of the grand strategy of "healthy China," and promotion of the health and well-being of all people.

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