

Becoming Friends of ACA

Please tick as appropriate:

Name (Chinese): _____

(English): _____

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy): _____ Gender: _____

Age: _____ HKID No. (first 4 digits): _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Tel (Residential): _____

Mobile: _____

Education Level: Primary School Secondary School

College or above Others (Please specify): _____

Occupation: _____

Social Service / Volunteer Experience: _____

Hobbies and Specialties: _____

Preference of Service Areas (You can select more than one option):

Child Care Art & Graphic Design Office Work Tutoring

Mass Programme Edit and Publication Manual

Recreational Programme Others (Please specify): _____

Available Time: _____

I am willing / unwilling to receive the information of ACA.

Please send or fax the filled form to our Head Office, Chuk Yuen Centre, Tuen Mun Centre or Kwai Chung Centre.

Any personal data provided in this form will be treated as strictly confidential and only be used for joining the services and other related purposes.

Making a Donation

Please tick as appropriate:

(1) I would like to donate

by Monthly Donation

\$1,000 \$500 \$300 \$200 \$100

\$ _____

by One-off Donation

\$1,000 \$500 \$300 \$200 \$100

\$ _____

(2) Methods

By crossed cheque: Against Child Abuse Limited

Deposited to ACA HSBC Account (A/C no.: 480-107549-001).

Credit Card Visa Master AE

Expiry Date: _____

Card No.: _____

Name of the Cardholder: _____

Signature: _____

(3) Personal Information

Name on Receipt: _____

Contact Person: _____ (Mr./Ms.)

Tel: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

How did you know ACA ?

Friend / Family Member Newspaper / Magazine

Internet School / Public Organisation Other: _____

I am willing / unwilling to receive the information of ACA.

Please mail the completed form with the cheque or bank-in slip to Head Office of ACA (Address: 13/F, Corn Yan Centre, 3 Jupiter Street, North Point, Hong Kong).

Notes:

1. Donations of HK\$100 or above is tax deductible.
2. Any personal data provided in this form will be treated as strictly confidential and only be used for the purpose of joining the donation plan and mailing of our information.
3. ACA is the member of the WiseGiving.

Please notify us if you do not wish to receive our future mailings. For any queries, please contact us within office hours.

Becoming Friends of ACA and Making a Donation

What is Child Abuse?

In a broad sense, child abuse is defined as any act of commission or omission that endangers or impairs the physical / psychological health and development of an individual under the age of 18.

Types of Abuse:

1. Physical Abuse is a physical injury or physical suffering to a child (including non-accidental use of force, deliberate poisoning, suffocation, burning, etc.), where there is a definite knowledge, or a reasonable suspicion that the injury has been inflicted non-accidentally.

2. Neglect is severe or a repeated pattern of lacking of attention to a child's basic needs that endangers or impairs the child's health or development. Neglect may be

- Physical (e.g. failure to provide necessary food, clothing or shelter, failure to prevent physical injury or suffering, lack of appropriate supervision or left unattended)
- Medical (e.g. failure to provide necessary medical or mental health treatment)
- Educational (e.g. failure to provide education or ignoring educational needs arising from a child's disability)
- Emotional (e.g. ignoring a child's emotional needs, failure to provide psychological care)

3. Sexual Abuse is the involvement of a child in sexual activity (e.g. rape, oral sex) which is unlawful, or to which a child is unable to give informed consent. This includes direct or indirect sexual exploitation and abuse of a child (e.g. production of pornographic material).

- It may occur inside the home or outside
- It may be committed by parents, or carers, or other adults singly, or children
- It may be committed by individuals or in an organised way
- It includes acts which may be rewarded or apparently attractive to the child

4. Psychological Abuse is the repeated pattern of behaviour and attitudes towards a child or extreme incident that endangers or impairs the child's emotional or intellectual development. Examples include acts of spurning, terrorising, isolating, exploiting / corrupting, denying emotional responsiveness, conveying to a child that he/she is worthless, flawed, unwanted or unloved. Such act damages immediately or ultimately the behavioural, cognitive, affective, or physical functioning of the child.

Reference: Procedural Guide for Handling Child Abuse Cases, Revised 2015, Social Welfare Department

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child

The convention defines child as an individual under the age of 18. It sets out these rights in 54 articles. It is divided into 4 main areas.

1. Right to Survival:

These cover the right to life and the right to the highest attainable standard of health and medical care.

2. Right to Protection:

These include protection from discrimination, from abuse and neglect, protection for children without families and protection for refugee children.

3. Right to Development:

These include all kinds of education (formal and non-formal) and the right to a standard of living which is adequate for the child's physical, spiritual, moral and social development.

4. Right to Participation:

These cover the right of a child to express his/her views in all matters affecting the child.

We believe that:

- Each child is without discrimination of any kind, irrespective of the child's or his or her parent's or legal guardian's race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national, ethnic or social origin, property, disability, birth or other status.
- Each child is protected against all forms of discrimination or punishment on the basis of the status, activities, expressed opinions, or beliefs of the child's parents, legal guardians, or family members.
- Each child has an inherent right to life and it is obliged to ensure to the maximum extent possible the survival and development of the child.



Against Child Abuse
防止虐待兒童會

UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and What is Child Abuse?



Hotline: 2755 1122



Against Child Abuse (ACA), was established in 1979 as the only charitable organisation specialised in child protection in Hong Kong. We strive to eliminate all forms of child abuse.

Our History

- 1978** The case of Lai Shuk Mee, a 10-year-old girl being severely abused, hit the headlines of local newspapers. Moved by the sad case, a concerned multi-disciplinary group saw the need to look into the problem of child abuse in Hong Kong.
- 1979** ACA had a modest start in 1979, the International Year of the Child, as a project funded by the Hong Kong Jockey Club (then Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club) for identifying the extent of child abuse in Hong Kong.
- 1980** ACA was established and formally registered as a charitable organisation.
- 1982** ACA became a member of the Community Chest of Hong Kong and established an office at Choi Wan Estate.
- 1986** Supported by the Keswick Foundation, ACA established Tuen Mun Centre.
- 1991** ACA set up a concern group on "Children being left unattended" which evolved into the Hong Kong Committee on Children's Rights (HKCCR) under ACA's auspices in 1992. HKCCR was established as an independent body in 1995.
- 1993** ACA became a government subvented agency. The head office of ACA was relocated to Chuk Yuen (North) Estate in Wong Tai Sin.
- 1999** ACA became the first National Partner of International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (ISPACAN) and jointly organised the ISPACAN 5th Asian Conference on Child Protection.
- 2005** The Against Child Abuse (Macau) Association (ACAM) Child Protection Centre was established.
- 2006** ACA became a full member of Child Helpline International (CHI).
- 2008** ACA co-hosted the 17th ISPACAN Congress on Child Abuse and Neglect in Hong Kong.
- 2011** ACA set up its permanent head office in North Point.
- 2013** ACA Child Protection Centre and Child Protection Institute were established.
- 2015** Supported by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, ACA Tuen Mun Centre established a multi-purpose function room at Ting Hong House, On Ting Estate.
- 2016** Supported by Fu Tak Iam Foundation, ACA established Kwai Chung Centre.

Mission

To promote a caring and non-violent environment for the optimal growth and development of our children.

Belief

We believe that children's survival, protection and development should be given priority, their views should be heard and given due weight. In the application of these principles, children of every race, creed and colour should be given equal treatment.

Vision

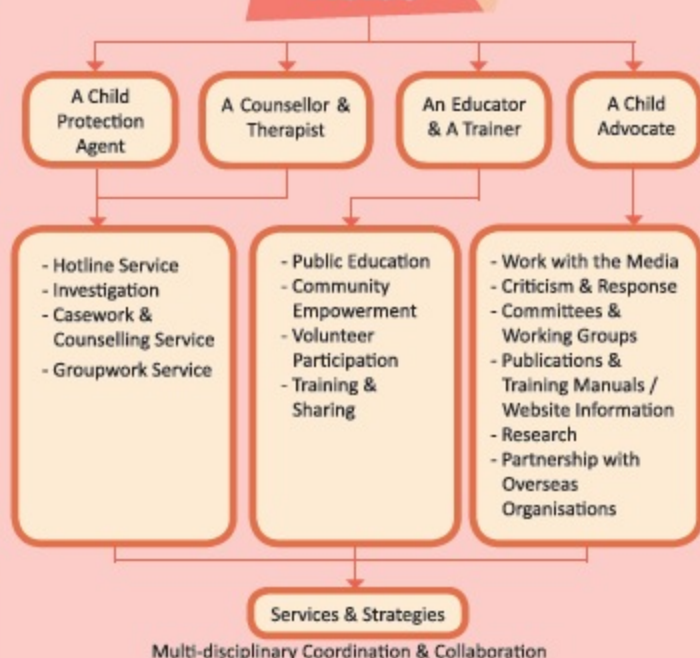
To be recognised as one of the leading NGOs in the East Asia Region providing quality child protection programmes of both remedial and preventive nature.

Aims and Objectives

1. To strive for the removal of all forms of child abuse and neglect in Hong Kong.
2. To establish, maintain and support a professional service for the assistance of abused or neglected children.
3. To promote the awareness of the general public in Hong Kong towards prevention of child abuse.
4. To take all lawful and necessary actions which are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives.

Our Mission, Belief, Vision, Aims and Objectives

Roles



Target Service Users

1. Children aged under 18 years
2. Parents and parents-to-be
3. Families with parenting difficulties
4. Individuals and parties interested in child protection services

Entry of Service

1. Individuals and families can call us for inquiries during office hours
2. Individuals and families can join activities and apply for services at our centres during office hours
3. Referrals from the community and organisations

Exit of Service

1. The service users can ask for leaving our services as circumstances required.
2. After assessing the situations of the service users, social workers will make referrals to appropriate services or terminate the services under mutual consent.

Services

1. Hotline and Drop-in:

Parents, children, professionals and the public are encouraged to call our Hotline at 2755 1122 or drop-in at our centres to report suspected cases of child abuse or ask for assistances of parenting difficulties. It is also a support line and a platform for children to express their voices and opinions. All personal information of the informant is kept confidential.

2. Investigation:

When received the report of suspected cases of child abuse, social worker will provide outreach service and investigation. After assessment of the risk of child abuse and the needs of the families, we will provide appropriate follow-up services.

3. Counselling:

Social workers provide counselling and therapeutic services to meet the needs of individuals and families in order to reduce child abuse crisis, improve parenting skills, enhance family relationship and personal development.

4. Group Work:

Group work services range from therapeutic, educational, developmental to recreational and networking. The service targets include children, parents and people who were abused.

5. Public and Parents Education:

We organise parent education programmes and provide consultations to equip parents acquiring positive parenting skills and knowledge of child protection. We also publicise child protection messages and advocate children's rights through mass media and mass programmes.

6. Professionals Training:

We provide training programmes including courses, workshops, seminars and talks to professionals, social work students and volunteers.

7. Overseas Exchange:

Partnership with and provide training for overseas and the mainland organisations and professionals to improve the child protection system and services.

Our Roles and Services

Contact Us

Head Office

13/F, Corn Yan Centre, 3 Jupiter Street,
North Point, Hong Kong
Tel: 3542 5722
Fax: 3542 5709
Email: aca@aca.org.hk

Chuk Yuen Centre

107-108, G/F, Wai Yuen House, Chuk Yuen (North) Estate,
Wong Tai Sin, Kowloon, Hong Kong
Tel: 2351 6060
Fax: 2752 8483

Tuen Mun Centre

407-409, Ting Cheung House, On Ting Estate, Tuen Mun,
New Territories, Hong Kong
Tel: 2450 2244
Fax: 2457 3782

Kwai Chung Centre

Flat A, 2/F, TLP 132, No 132-134 Tai Lin Pai Road,
Kwai Chung, New Territories, Hong Kong
Tel: 2915 0607
Fax: 2915 0788

Hotline: 2755 1122

Hotline Service Hours:

Monday to Friday - 9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m. and
2:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.

Saturday - 9:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.

After service hours, message will be taken via automatic telephone tape recording.



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