Name of Quality Education Fund Thematic Network (QTN)

Parent Education: Healthy CONNECT@School Program (HCS)

1. QTN Co-ordinator

Tung Wah Group of Hospitals - Youth & Family Services

2. Address of QTN Co-ordinator

Shop 502A & 503, 5/F, Jubilee Court Shopping Centre, 2-18 Lok King Street, Fo Tan, Shatin, New Territories

3. Beneficiaries

25 Kindergartens

4. Objectives

This QTN aims at :

- Providing parent education programs to strengthen parents' competence in building positive and nurturing relationships with their young children;
- Providing professional training to the kindergarten teachers on emotional competence to improve their confidence in leading relevant class activities; and
- Strengthening school-parent partnership in supporting children's growth through school-based approach.

5. Foci of Support

- Equip parents with emotion coaching skills to develop children's emotion self-regulation;
- Provide parents with knowledge and skills in building positive and nurturing relationships with their young children;
- Promote social-emotional learning at schools through strengthening teachers' skills in creating a supportive environment in schools; and
- Facilitate experience sharing for school representatives and educators to learn about the evidenced-based parent education curriculum so as to address the social and emotional learning needs of young children.

6. Modes of Support

- Parent educational groups and talks on relationship building, emotion coaching and behavioral management;
- Workshops for school leaders and teachers on social-emotional learning activities conducted by professional social workers;
- Regular meeting with school representatives to understand and give advice on school-based curriculum development and the design of teachers training; and

• Seminars for parents to strengthen peer support on parenting.

7. Points to be noted by Participating Schools

To make the best use of the support services, participating schools are required to :

- Recruit parents to join the parenting groups according to our program requirement;
- Provide classrooms or venue for program implementation;
- Arrange teachers to attend the parent groups and the teachers training; and
- Attend two Executive Committee (EC) meetings and an annual dissemination seminar to share the good practices derived and challenges faced.

8. Enquiries

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