Funding and Service Agreement¹

Social and Recreational Centres for the Disabled

I Service Definition

Introduction

Social and Recreational Centres for the Disabled provide disabled persons with opportunities to participate in and to organise a variety of activities which meet their social, recreational and developmental needs.

Purpose and objectives

The overall aim of Social and Recreational Centres for the Disabled is to facilitate the integration of disabled persons into the community.

The objectives of centres include:

- to enable disabled persons to make meaningful use of their leisure time
- to provide opportunities for disabled persons to develop their potential and well-being
- to encourage the development of interpersonal skills and enhance the development of personal relationships
- to encourage the active participation of disabled persons in the community.

Nature of service

The focus of service provision may vary from centre to centre in order to meet the special needs of different target groups.

The services provided include organised social, recreational and sporting activities, provided either within the centre or in the community, such as interest and social service groups, committee training and mass/special activities which facilitate integration of people with a disability into the community.

Target group

The major target group is disabled persons with no age range limit*.

In keeping with the philosophy of integrating disabled persons into the community,

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family members and able-bodied persons are also encouraged to participate in centre activities.

* The types of disability catered for include all types of disability, the visually impaired, hearing impaired, physically handicapped, mentally handicapped and the age range may vary without limit so long as the participants can take part in the organized activities.

II Performance Standards

The service operator will meet the following performance standards:

Outputs

Output Standard 1

Indicator:

Total number of organised social, recreational and sporting activities within one year

Agreed Level:

250	for S & R Centres* for the visually impaired persons
280	for S & R Centres* for the hearing impaired persons
490	for S & R Centres* for the physically handicapped persons
700	for S & R Centres* for the mentally handicapped persons
1500	for sports associations for the mentally/physically handicapped

Output Standard 2

Indicator:

Total attendance of persons with and without disabilities** at organised social, recreational and sporting activities within one year

Agreed Level:

6090 and 2030**	respectively for S & R Centres* for the visaully impaired persons
3230 and 1080**	respectively for S & R Centres* for the hearing impaired persons
3550 and 1180*	respectively for S & R Centres* for the physically handicapped persons

9630 and 3210** respectively for S & R Centres* for the mentally handicapped persons

for sports associations for the mentally / physically handicapped persons

- * "S & R centres" refer to Social and Recreational Centres
- ** Figures with ** refer to persons without disabilities

The ratio/proportion of disabled and able-bodied persons is set at 3:1 (except 2 sports associations in which no ratio/proportion is set).

Essential service requirements

- Services will be open for at least 11 sessions per week and a minimum of 44 hours per week (time of opening may vary but shall be reported by individual service operator).
- There will be input from registered social worker*
- Different staffing requirements would be made for Hong Kong Sports Association for the Mentally Handicapped and the Hong Kong Sports association for the Physically Disabled to exempt them from employing registered social worker due to their unique service nature.

Quality

Service operator will meet the requirements of 16 Service Quality Standards (SQSs).

* Social worker is to be governed by the Social Workers Registration Ordinance.

III Obligations of SWD to Service Operators

The SWD will undertake the duties set out in the General Obligations of SWD to service operators.

IV Basis of Subvention

The basis of subvention is set out in the offer and notification letters issued by the SWD to the agency.

The service unit is required to comply with the rules on the use of the social welfare subventions in accordance with the latest Lump Sum Grant Manual and circular letters in force issued by the SWD on the subvention policies and procedures.