The 124th Anniversary Symposium of NTUH

International medical collaborations constitute one aspect of NTUH’s international social responsibility, and Taiwan’s medical strengths is a field that contributes to the country’s soft power on the global stage. For these reasons, and in commemoration of the 124th anniversary of the hospital’s founding, the NTUH International Medical Collaboration in Retrospect and Prospect –symposium was held on June 1 (Saturday) with the aim of exploring NTUH’s heritage and mission from alternative perspectives and, hopefully, boosting Taiwan’s international medical development going forward.

Since this year also marks the 15th, 10th, and 5th anniversary of NTUH’s collaborations with hospitals in Vietnam, Mongolia, and Indonesia, respectively, we extended invitations to the general directors and deputy director of these hospitals to participate in this event, during which they shared the results of the collaborations that we have conducted thus far. The symposium consisted of four segments, namely the International Medical Collaboration in Retrospect, the 15th Anniversary of NTUH-HOPE Taiwan-Vietnam Medical Exchange’s achievements and prospects, the 10th Anniversary of NTUH-HOPE Taiwan-Mongolia Medical Exchange’s achievements and prospects, and the 5th Anniversary of NTUH-HOPE Taiwan-Indonesia Medical Exchange’s achievements and prospects. Backed by the wealth of experience that the speakers all possessed in regard to the training of foreign physicians and their participation in international medical assistance programs, they were able to describe the collaborations conducted by NTUH, from their history to their present state, in vivid detail, enabling their audience to gain a deeper understanding of NTUH’s mission in carrying out these collaborations.
Given that none of these exchange programs would have been possible without the cooperation of other institutions, NTUH’s interim superintendent, Prof. Shyr-Chyr Chen, also took this opportunity to express his gratitude to the Ministry of Health and Welfare, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the International Cooperation and Development Fund, and the Taiwan External Trade Development Council for the support and assistance that they have extended, both financially and otherwise. He also thanked his fellow colleagues at NTUH for their selflessness and dedication, which were crucial to the hospital’s success in achieving the mission of its exchange programs and producing meaningful results. The symposium was successfully concluded at 4:45 pm.
Group photo of NTUH’s interim superintendent Prof. Chen with guests and speakers from the morning segments of the event

Group photo of guests and attendees

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