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To whom may concern,

This is Tiffany Leung, a counselor from a local college.

I would like to raise my concerns regarding the difficulty one faces upon developing their careers in the helping professions. Hong Kong's system in the public health and social services has long been established in the past, yet along the continuous development of the city, the systems have become vulnerable to its lack of reforms, particularly in the face of internationalization of the city. A notable example is the increase of new overseas talents from the medical, psychology, and counseling fields. Rather than considering how the overseas and local talents can integrate, the local systems remain rather the same. I am not surprised to receive the local news that the public hospitals have long been under shortage of labor of the doctors, or there has been such an increase of people committing in crimes or suicides due to the overwhelming emotional breakdown/psychological distress, yet the lack of room for the counseling field which muddles between the competition between the clinical psychology and social work fields.

The problem which I bring up is an issue which has been long left without handled, and requires years of consideration, discussion, and corresponding work before it can be resolved. What I am trying to say is not suggesting a method/solution, yet to address the importance for the government to look into the issue. it is hoped that my voice can help let the government see the need of the people on a better city with more friendly and effective supporting professional systems.

I believe there are many who are willing to help contribute to make a better system for the Hong Kong people, and it is for the government to take the initiative.

Thank you for your time.

Yours faithfully,

Tiffany