

Social and Health Care – the opportunity of synergizing

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Total Government Expenditure

Community & External Affairs 3.5%

Economic 3.5%

Education 23.8%

Environment & Food 4.3%

Health 15.2%

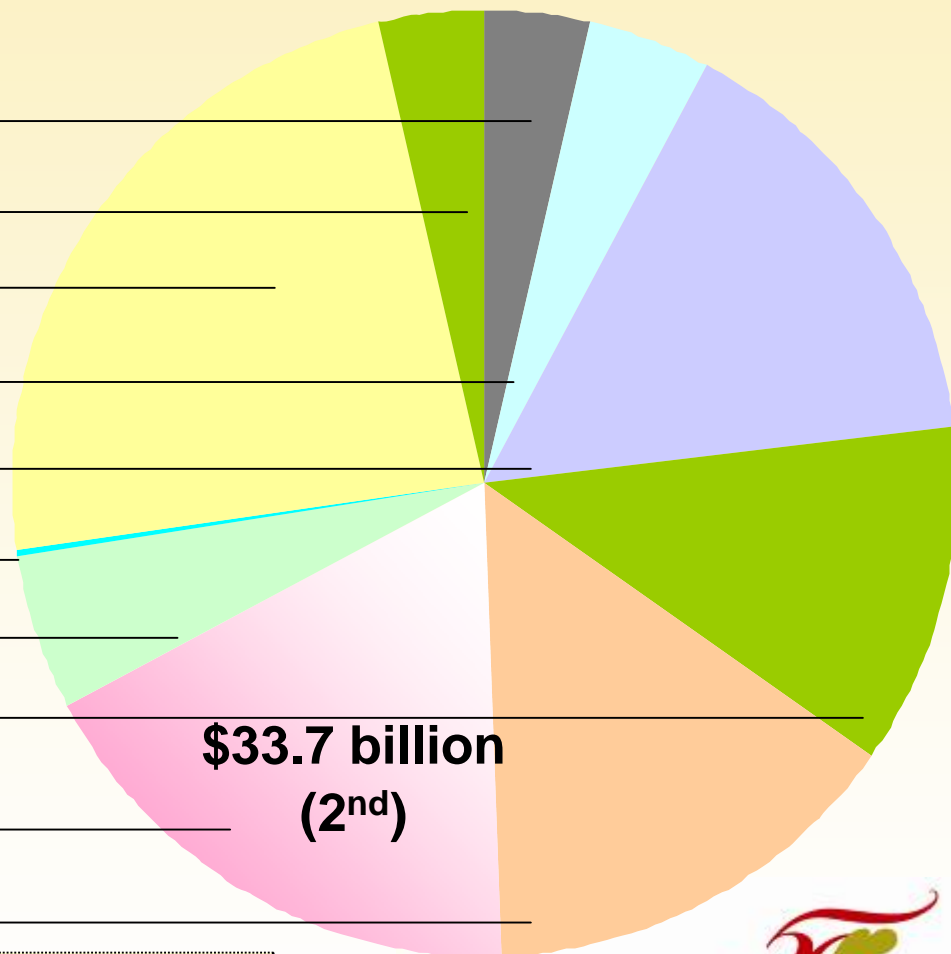
Housing 0.1%

Infrastructure 5.5%

Security 11.8%

Social Welfare 17.6%

Support 14.7%



**Total Recurrent Government Expenditure
in 2008-09: \$214.6 billion**



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Social and Health Care Synergy – Why ?

- Enhance capacity
- Create synergy effect → 1+1 > 2
- Sustain continuous development and improvement

Social and Health Care Synergy – Our Values

- Community Care
- Customer Focus

Examples of Joint Projects and Collaboration between the Welfare and Health Care Setting in the Recent Years

Hospital

- Extended-care patients Intensive Treatment, Early diversion and Rehabilitation Stepping-stone (EXITERS)

Transitional (From Hospital to Community)

- Community Rehabilitation Day Centres (CRDCs)
- Integrated Discharge Support Programme for the Elderly Patient
- Transitional Care and Support Centre for Tetraplegic Patients

Community

- Early Assessment Service for Young People with Psychosis (EASY)
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Community Support Project (CAMPcom)
- Community Mental Health Intervention Project (CoMHIP)
- Child Abuse, Domestic Violence, Sexual Violence, Elderly Abuse Cases



Essential Elements for a Successful Partnership

Cultivate Multi-disciplinary Team Spirit

- Shared values
- Understand the different working cultures
- Respect and appreciate respective roles, responsibilities and competencies

- Communication platform
- Coordinated staff training
- Ready to compromise

Effective Exchange of Information

- Service Planning Level
- Service Delivery Level

Users' Participation in Service Review

- Service users' participation in the review and evaluation of services
- Service users become active and knowledgeable agents instead of passive service recipients

Conclusion

- SWD values the close collaboration with the health care setting
- Open-mindedness for possible synergy with the health care setting for service enhancement

Thank You