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SOCIAL WORK EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

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The Social Work Education Enhancement Program (SWEEP), collaborates with top universities in Vietnam to strengthen the country's higher education social work programs to deliver quality education and prepare trained, job-ready, social workers. The program develops systems to strengthen higher education management and administration, improves social work faculty professional capabilities in teaching and research, and implements competency-based curriculum adaptable to the changing needs of the field.

ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

With three training academies for 30 university leaders, the development of strategic plans, and the growth of a viable leadership consortium, SWEEP universities have improved social work policies and procedures, and established a sustainable network for ongoing collaboration.

IMPROVEMENT OF FACULTY CAPABILITIES

With three faculty academies for 24 faculty, the program has improved the ability of faculty to prepare relevant curriculum, enhance teaching and conduct social work scholarship and research. SWEEP university faculty have become trainers – disseminating information to other universities as part of the national planning to improve social work education.

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Vietnam's social work curriculum standards have joined with those of the international social work community with the adaptation of professional competency-based learning objectives. SWEEP assisted national planners in the development of standards relevant to the country's contexts. The SWEEP training of faculty and leaders in establishing competency-based curriculum is scalable as these standards are being disseminated nationwide.

NETWORKING

The program provides a number of networking and experience-sharing opportunities. The program has resulted in faculty and administrators being able to attend teleconference workshops and improve communication within the academic social work field.

In the photo: Social Work Day event in Hanoi. (USAID)