

The 147th International Senior Seminar
“Community Involvement in Offender Treatment”

1. Duration and Participants

- From 13 January to 10 February, 2011
- Ten overseas participants from nine countries
- Six domestic participants

2. Programme Overview

Community involvement is an important element of both institutional and community-based treatment of offenders. The involvement of and support from the community can provide offenders with an opportunity to achieve economic independence and the motivation to reintegrate, and then smoothen their reintegration process and make it sustainable. Moreover, many correctional programmes and interventions, in both institutional and community-based settings, can be administered more effectively and efficiently with help from the community.

This seminar offers participants an opportunity to share experiences and knowledge, and to explore ways to enhance community involvement in the treatment of offenders.

Major topics for discussion included:

- The current situation of community involvement in offender treatment
- Possible fields or services in which the community can be involved
- Measures to enhance community involvement in the treatment of offenders

3. Lectures

The following visiting experts and ad-hoc lecturers, as well as professors of UNAFEI, will give lectures:

- Visiting Experts
 - Mr. Yvon Dandurand
Senior Associate
The International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy,
Canada
“Different Paths to Greater Community Involvement in the Treatment of Offenders”
“Community Involvement in the Canadian Criminal Justice System”
 - Ms. Elinor Wanyama Chemonges
National Coordinator
Paralegal Advisory Services Project

Foundation for Human Rights Initiative, Uganda

“Proactive Engagement of the Community in Offender Treatment and Rehabilitation-Paralegal Advisory Service”

- Mr. Desmond Chin

Deputy Director of Prisons/Chief of Staff

Singapore Prison Service, Singapore

“Community Involvement in Offenders’ Rehabilitation: the Singapore Prison Service’s Experience”

“The Yellow Ribbon Project: Advocating Community Acceptance & Enhancing Community Involvement”

- Mr. Steve Pitts

Head of International Relations and External Programmes

National Offender Management Service (NOMS)

Ministry of Justice, United Kingdom

“Enhancing Community Involvement in Institutional and Community based Corrections in the United Kingdom: Recent Experience and Future Plans”

“Changing Lives and Making Communities Safer: Strengthening Rehabilitation through Involving Communities in England and Wales”

- Sir David Carruthers

Chairman of the New Zealand Parole Board, New Zealand

“Community Involvement in Treatment of Offenders Prior to Sentencing: The New Zealand Experience”

“Community Involvement in Treatment of Offenders Post-Sentencing: The New Zealand Experience”

- Dr. Kittipong Kittayarak

Permanent Secretary for Justice

Ministry of Justice, Thailand

“Community Justice in Thailand: Partnership in Treatment of Offenders and Enhancement of Community Quality of Life”

“Community Involvement in Offender Treatment: Thailand’s Experience”

- Ad-hoc Lecturers

- Mr. Satoshi Tomiyama

Director of the Prison Service Division, Correction Bureau, Ministry of Justice

“Community Involvement in Correctional Treatment”

- Mr. Minoru Nishimura

Director of the Rehabilitation Service Development Division, Rehabilitation Bureau,

Ministry of Justice

“The Roles of the Private Sector, Local Communities and Social Policy in Rehabilitation Services”

- Mr. Joji Yamamoto

Writer

“Co-ordination with Communities in the Treatment of People with Disabilities Who Have Committed Crimes”

- Mr. Tsuneo Kondo

Director, Japan DARC (Drug Addiction Rehabilitation Center)

“Community Involvement in the Treatment of Drug Offenders”

- Mr. Masahiko Mizuto

Officer, The National Center for Persons with Severe Intellectual Disabilities

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“Support services for offenders with intellectual disabilities released from correctional facilities”