

Mr. Ta-Yao Chou

Head, Social Work Department, Taiwan Fund for Children and Families
Deputy Secretary-General, Child Health Alliance Taiwan



Education

Master of Social Work, Fu-Jen University

Professional Employment

2017-Present

Member, Development Committee, Legal Aid Foundation

2008- Present

Board Director, Taiwan Association of Social Workers

2008-2018

Adjunct Lecturer, School of Social Work, Shih-Chien University

2013-2016

Managing Director, New Taipei City Association of The Licensed Social Workers

2008-2015

Supervisor, New Taipei Family Support Center, under Taiwan Fund for Children and Families

Areas of Expertise

Social casework, child and adolescent protection, foster care services, and poverty issues

Biography

Mr. Ta-Yao Chou started as a frontline social worker directly providing financial assistance and child protection services, before gaining experience in supervision of social workers and supervisory duties. In the past 25 years, he has accompanied children and adolescents from disadvantaged families in the search for the fulfillment of their heart's desires. The state of being disadvantaged is rooted in many different dimensions, which may include poverty, experience of trauma, unequal opportunities, and lack of resources. The purpose of our hard work is to call on our nation's society to provide more opportunities and fair treatment to children who come from disadvantaged backgrounds. Of course, a well-established legal aid system also protects these children against getting hurt again. Let us all work hard together!