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Macao, the dissolution of population ageing problems does not solely depend on the commitments of the governing body, but rather with the collaboration of the Non-governmental Social Welfare Organizations (NGO). The majority of our social services are delivered through NGOs, except those of financial benefits. For the last two years after the UNESCAP Macao Meeting October 2004, we have completed several reports on Long Term Care Needs Assessment of the Elderly and Surveys on Profiles of the Elderly in the Community based on which social programs to increase their expenses capacity, the improvement of residential environment of Aged Homes, programs in building up the positive images of older persons and surveys on continual improvements for elder service organizations are established. Our program planning is multi-dimensional and Government led. The Quality Improvement Mechanism System is a further program tends to fairly distribute the resources to the needy and in avoidance of service duplication

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