

## **Update on 2015 International AAC Awareness Month Activities in Taiwan**

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To celebrate *International AAC Awareness Month – October 2015*, ISAAC-TAIWAN has posted two videos and one poem prepared by two individuals who use AAC. These two pieces are posted in the website of ISAAC-TAIWAN, and were sent out to all students who study in the field of communication disorders in Taiwan.

A poem was written and a video was prepared by Fu-Hua Chuang, who was suffered from excessive carbon monoxide in an accident house fire. She is current using her high-tech communication device to write and communicate.

### **莊馥華 Fu-Hua Chuang**

我的名字叫莊馥華

My name is Fu-Hua Chuang,

我無法言語，常常聽見別人說：「她聽得懂嗎？」

I cannot speak. I always hear people asking: "Can she understand?"

在我十歲那年，因住家樓下發生火災，我來不及逃生，吸入過多濃煙，因一氧化炭中毒，造成永久性的傷害。

At the age of ten, a fire broke out and I could not escape from it. I breathed in so much smoke that I was poisoned from the excessive carbon monoxide in my body. It caused irreversible damage.

透過語言治療師的協助，我有了溝通輔具。

我的生活從此跳脫了是非題、選擇題的猜謎框架，進入到可以自由表達的天地。

Through the help of speech therapist, I have had AAC.

Finding a way of communicating changed my life from the framework of Yes-No questions and multiple-choice questions to a world where I could freely express.

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A video was prepared by Yu-Chin Yen, who was lived with a cerebral palsy. She is current using a high-tech communication device.

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