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Dr. Chiou initiated several pioneering programs both in health promotion & in healthcare delivery reform in Taiwan, including Taipei Healthy City Project, nationwide age-friendly city initiative, comprehensive national cancer control plan, legislation to protect breastfeeding in public places, elimination of trans fat, ban of marketing of junk foods towards children, etc. She developed the largest network of health-promoting hospitals, and the first age-friendly healthcare recognition program in the world. She was at the frontline when SARS attacked Taipei in 2003.

Dr. Chiou's research interest is on evidence-based policy development and evaluation. She designed/co-designed three cluster randomized controlled trials on setting-based health promotion interventions. Her leadership has facilitated Taiwan to achieve a 26.5% reduction in adult smoking rate, 49% reduction in betel quid chewing rate among adult males, doubling of exclusive breastfeeding rate and decline of smoking rate and obesity prevalence among children/adolescents. She received many honorable awards such as the Distinguished Achievement Award for Outstanding Civil Servants (1999) and the Award for Top Ten Outstanding Young Women in Taiwan (2000).