

Chinese Hospital Announces Installation of 2023 Board of Trustees



Since its establishment in 1899, Chinese Hospital has been a vital part of the San Francisco community, steadfastly upholding its mission to “deliver quality health care in a cost-effective way, responsive to the community’s ethnic and cultural uniqueness, providing access to health care and acceptability to all socioeconomic levels” despite the pandemic. Over the course of 123 years, Chinese Hospital has evolved to meet the changing needs of the community by expanding its services and providing culturally competent care.

Today, Chinese Hospital held a ceremony to install its 2023 Board of Trustees, marking a new era of recovery and growth following the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. The new board is led by Dr. Kin Yee and Mr. Harvey Louie, who will serve as the chair and vice-chair. They have been serving the board for many years and will continue to bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role.

“We are thrilled to welcome Chinese Hospital 2023 board members and look forward to working with them to overcome the COVID pandemic related challenges and position our hospital for a successful future,” said Dr. Jian Zhang, CEO of Chinese Hospital. Dr. Zhang also expressed her gratitude to the outgoing board members for their service and contributions to the hospital’s success over the past year. She specifically thanked the outgoing board chair, Mr. Kitman Chan, for his service and wished him a smooth recovery.

At the ceremony, the outgoing acting board chair, Mr. Harvey Louie, thanked all the board members for their time and dedication in making 2022 a success. He expressed appreciation to the management team, medical staff and employees, who have been working tirelessly to safeguard the community, as well as the elected

officials and community partners, who have teamed up with Chinese Hospital to make the community a better and healthier place to live. He also thanked all the supporters for their generous contributions.

“I greatly appreciate the opportunity to be the acting board chair to lead the board in working with the administration and medical staff during such a difficult and challenging time,” said Mr. Louie. “We, working together as a team, have accomplished a lot in 2022.”

Mr. Louie highlighted a number of accomplishments over the past year in his speech, including progress on the mechanical backbone replacement project, expanded and formalized collaboration with UCSF to optimize access to quality care, resolution of disputes and reunion with CCHCA’s physicians to better serve the community, achievement of CMS’ four-star rating for quality, safety and patient experience, receipt of \$5 million state budget to create a hospital-based subacute unit and recognition and certification as a Primary Stroke Center by The Joint Commission, and raising over \$12 million in 2022.

Incoming board chair, Dr. Kin Yee expressed his excitement for the opportunity to serve on the board and highlighted some of the focuses for the coming year.

“I am honored and humbled to be elected as the chair and looking forward to working with my fellow board members,” said Dr. Yee. “2023 remains extremely challenging for Chinese Hospital and the healthcare industry due to labor shortage, high inflation and supply chain disruptions. Despite the challenges we will face, Chinese Hospital will continue to expand collaborations to create new programs and services, improve the quality of care and patient experience, lead the effort to safeguard our community, and enhance our financial viability and operational efficacy.” Dr. Yee added, “We promise to always put the needs of our patients and community first, and ensure that the hospital’s resources are used efficiently and effectively to meet their needs.”

Chinese Hospital is the only independent community hospital in San Francisco, dedicated solely to serving the community. Over the years, we have played a significant role in maintaining the health and well-being of our community, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dr. Yee sincerely hopes that the community will continue to support Chinese Hospital by utilizing our services and selecting CCHP as their health plan. He also hopes that the government will advocate for policies that support the needs of the community. By continuing to work together, Chinese Hospital will become stronger and more resilient in 2023.

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