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APAMSA 2013
Region VII Conference

**Bringing Health Care to the
Community: A Focus on
Preventative Medicine**

April 13th, 2013

UNLV Campus

APAMSA Region VII Conference – April 13th, 2013

Notes/Contact Information

8:00 – 9:00am	Registration and breakfast	
9:00 – 9:10am	Welcome	<i>Conference chairs</i>
9:10 – 9:50am	Keynote speaker <i>Dr. Jhemon Lee</i>	<i>Health Care Policy and Advocacy</i>
9:50 – 10:00am	Break	
10:00 – 10:15am	Icebreaker	
10:15 – 11:00am	Speaker <i>Dr. Ming-Wei Wu</i>	<i>Understanding Wound Care: Treatment and Prevention</i>
11:00 – 11:10am	Break	
11:10 – 11:50am	Speaker <i>Dr. Elliot Shin</i>	<i>Community Health</i>
11:50 – 12:00pm	Break	
12:00 – 12:50pm	Speaker <i>Chief Alvin Cuasay</i>	<i>Navy Presentation</i>
12:50 – 2:00pm	Lunch	<i>Time with exhibitors</i>
2:00 – 3:20pm	Workshop <i>Dr. Elias Ptak</i>	<i>Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine</i>
3:20 – 3:30pm	Break	
3:30 – 4:20pm	Workshop <i>Dr. Sae Lee</i>	<i>Acupuncture and Eastern Medicine</i>
4:20 – 4:30pm	Break	
4:30 – 5:15pm	Speaker <i>Dr. Kathleen Bergquist</i>	<i>Breaking the Silence: Working with APA Victims/Survivors of Gendered Violence</i>
5:15 – 6:00pm	Speaker <i>Gideon Agaton</i>	<i>Hepatitis B Prevention Efforts</i>
6:00 – 6:10pm	Closing Remarks	<i>Conference chairs</i>

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Dr. Kathleen Bergquist, JD, Ph.D – Kathleen Ja Sook Bergquist is an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work at UNLV. She completed her Ph.D. in Counselor Education at the College of William and Mary in Virginia and her JD at the Boyd School of Law. Kathleen is active in the community through her participation as member of the Nevada Council for the Prevention of Domestic Violence (NCPDV), the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Statewide Team, the Asian Bar Association of Las Vegas, the State Bar of Nevada's Diversity Committee, the Asian American Advocacy Clinic, and received a Lincy Institute Fellowship to research domestic violence in Asian and Spanish-speaking communities in Southern NV. Kathleen is a co-founder and board member for Bamboo Bridges, a non-profit that seeks to address violence against APA women in the Las Vegas area.

Gideon Agaton, MSW – Gideon Agaton is graduating MSW (Social Work) student from UNLV. Prior to moving to Las Vegas, he also finished his Master in Public Administration from Manila, Philippines. He currently works for the Hepatitis B Free Las Vegas, a local health campaign that promote hepatitis B awareness through health education, free screening and free vaccination. Being the coordinator of the program in UNLV, he has founded and continued to supervise two groups namely Team HBV at UNLV and Minority Health Alliance. His leadership in UNLV led him to organize events to further highlight the dangers of hepatitis B and liver cancer including the Hepatitis B Forum, Hepatitis B Rally, and the APIs Unite Against Hepatitis B. All these awareness campaigns enjoined all API groups in the community to respond to the growing threat of hepatitis B and liver cancer. His strong involvement in addressing minority health disparities in Las Vegas elected him to become a member and sole representative of the API population with the Nevada Office of Minority Health. He considers this position as a higher platform for him to help improve the quality of health care for members of minority groups and at the same time provide them increased access to health care and services through education, prevention and health promotion. He is active in a variety of civic and cultural organizations including The American Red Cross and Kalahi Folkloric Ensemble (Philippine American cultural group). Outside of professional interests, he travels widely, sings as a hobby, and enjoys living in with his family.

Dr. Jhemon Lee, MD – Dr. Lee is a private practice radiologist and a partner in Los Alamitos Radiology Group in Los Alamitos, CA. He received his bachelor's degree in Engineering Sciences at Harvard University, and obtained his medical degree from the University of Maryland. He completed his residency in diagnostic radiology at the University of Chicago where he was chief resident and a fellowship in abdominal imaging at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School in Boston. Dr. Lee is Co-Chair of the Advisory Board for APAMSA, and was one of the original student organizers that helped lead to the formation of APAMSA in 1995. He is Secretary and a member of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians (NCAPIP). He has been involved with the National Association of Asian American Professionals (NAAAP) since 1994, serving many roles including National President, President of its Chicago chapter, and co-chair of the 2008 National Convention. He is a past president of the Orange County chapter of OCA (Organization of Chinese Americans). On the side, he also does improv comedy as a part of Cold Tofu Improv's Advanced Team and takes acting classes with East West Players. But if you ask him, getting married last year was his biggest achievement.

Dr. Elliot Shin, MD – Dr. Elliot Shin immigrated with his family from South Korea to United States at age eleven without knowing any English, even the alphabet. Since then, he has been blessed with many opportunities and experiences that have uniquely allowed him to understand the challenges that disadvantaged populations face and have been involved in providing comprehensive solutions to empower them. After graduating from Rutgers University as a Henry Rutgers Scholar in 1991, he obtained a master's degree in Nuclear Physics at Rosalind Franklin University of Health Sciences/The Chicago Medical School where he also received his medical degree in 2000. Then he completed his residency training in 2003 at In His Image Family Practice Residency Program where he was also ordained as a medical missionary. After two decades of his mission work in inner-cities and overseas, he founded Operation H.O.P.E., Inc. (Helping Other People Everywhere) in May of 2009 to invite the public to join with him in providing comprehensive solutions to these disadvantaged populations worldwide.

Chief Alvin Cuasay – As a Navy Hospital Corpsman, Chief Alvin Cuasay has been in the Navy 20 Years and have a background a Field Medical Service Corpsman. A few of his duty stations have included: Naval Base San Diego, CA to Naval Submarine Base New London, CT, from Naval Air Station Pensacola Florida to Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii to Camp Butler, Okinawa, Japan. Currently, he is stationed here in Las Vegas, Nevada, to assist Future Medical Professional for the United States Navy.

Dr. Ming-Wei Wu, DO – Dr. Wu was born in Taipei, Taiwan, and immigrated to the U.S. at the age of 6. He received his bachelor's degree in Biochemistry at UC San Diego and obtained his medical degree at Western University in Pomona, where he also served as President of the Asian-American Medical Student Association. He completed a residency in general surgery at St. John's Hospital in Queens, NY, and a fellowship in minimal invasive and bariatric surgery in Harrisburg, PA. After his fellowship, he moved to Las Vegas, where he works as board-certified general surgeon subspecializing in wound care surgery. His past achievements include being the former chief of surgery at Desert View Hospital, former medical director at Evergreen Skilled Nursing Facility, and former president of the Las Vegas Chinese Medical Association. He is currently a member of the American Board of Wound Management, the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery, and the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons. He is also Vice President of the Community Health Connections, Clinical associate attending at Touro University in Las Vegas, and Speaker for the Healthpoint Company, specifically for Santyl, a collagenase enzymatic debridement product. Dr. Wu is married to Dr. Julie Wu with 4 kids – 2 girls and 2 boys. ages 6, 5, 3, and most recently a baby girl 11 months old.

Dr. Elias Ptak, DO – Dr. Ptak is board certified in Family Medicine/OMT and in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine. He graduated from Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine –California in 2005 and completed residency training in Family Medicine in 2008 and subsequent training in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine in 2009 at Downey Regional Medical Center in Downey, CA. He then became Assistant Professor in the Family Medicine and OMM Departments at Western University College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific, Pomona CA. While at Western University he was the Course Director for the second year medical students “Essentials of Clinical Medicine-Physical Diagnosis” for two years and taught in the OMM department for both first and second year students. After practicing Family Medicine and Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine at Western University's clinics and teaching in their classrooms for three years he accepted a position with Touro University-Nevada as Assistant Professor in the Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Department where he is the Course Director for the first year medical students. He now specializes in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine with the Touro University Health Center.

Dr. Sae Lee, OMD – Dr. Lee is a licensed Doctor of Oriental Medicine and Acupuncturist based in Las Vegas, Nevada. He received his degree at the Oriental Medical College of Kyung-Hee University, in Seoul, South Korea in 1972 and has over 40 years of experience in Oriental Medicine. He holds professional memberships at the Nevada Oriental Medical Association and Society of Oriental Medicine, Dr. Lee was a board member of the Nevada State Board of Oriental Medicine from 1995–2001. He currently runs Lee's Oriental Medical Clinic in Las Vegas.

Notes/Contact Information

Dear Region VII Conference Attendees,

Welcome to **APAMSA's Annual Region VII Conference** hosted by our local APAMSA Chapter at Touro University Nevada held at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas!!

The theme of this year's conference is, "Bringing health care to the community: a focus on preventive medicine," a theme in medicine that is the talk of politics, the media, and social trends currently surrounding the U.S.'s health care debates and discussions.

Our conference committee has worked tirelessly to bring you a conference that offers you the tools to become educated on health disparities that affect the APA community, to learn about preventive medicine as a whole and various forms of treatment that exist within medicine, and to network with fellow peers in health care. Please take advantage of everything this conference has to offer and please don't hesitate to contact any one of us with any questions you may have throughout the conference. Again, welcome to Las Vegas, and we hope you have a great time!

Sincerest respects,

Handwritten signatures of Anderson Nguyen and Kevin Riutzel in black ink.

Anderson Nguyen and Kevin Riutzel
Region VII Directors, 2012-2013

Dear Region VII of APAMSA,

Notes/Contact Information

On behalf of Touro University Nevada, I would like to congratulate you on your Region VII Conference held this Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Touro University Nevada is an institution that prides itself on the celebration of diversity and the training of future healthcare practitioners who understand the similarities and nuances of all cultures. The Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association is an organization that addresses the health disparities that affect the APA community, and so we could not be more proud to have such an organization as part of our community at Touro.

This year's conference theme, "Bringing health care to the community: a focus on preventative medicine," reflects an extremely relevant and important theme in today's health care discussions. As future healthcare practitioners, please utilize all that the conference has to offer in order to further your passions, your knowledge, and your innovation, so that you can positively affect the community at your academic institution, your community-at-large, and the global community as a whole. Additionally, it is particularly encouraging to see such events taking on a collaborative stance within the medical profession, as it is important to bring all aspects of medicine forward to benefit communities as a whole.

Once again, congratulations on this regional conference.

Sincerest regards,



Michael Harter, PhD
Senior Provost/CEO
Touro Western Division