



## **Angela Sun, PhD, MPH**

Founder & President

Asian Alliance for Health

Executive Director

Chinese Community Health Resource Center

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Dr. Sun is the Executive Director of the Chinese Community Health Resource Center (CCHRC) and Founder/President of the Asian Alliance for Health. She has devoted her career to increase health literacy for the Asian American community utilizing evidence-based strategies for over 25 years. Working with CCHRC's Board of Directors and staff, Dr. Sun developed CCHRC's programs and services from its inception in 1989 into a comprehensive, multi-faceted community resource center. CCHRC's mission is to build a healthy community through cultural competent health education programs, community based participatory research, advocacy and mentorship. In partnership with academics, local and national health organizations, CCHRC initiated numerous innovative programs tailored for the Chinese immigrant community and is recognized as a leader and primary source of culturally competent health education programs in the Bay Area. Dr. Sun serves as the Chair for the Asians Against Violence, formerly known as AAADV, since 2004. Dr. Sun was an invited speaker at numerous conferences, lecturer at academic institutions, and currently serves on various committees advocating for the health equality of Asian Americans. She mentors college students to foster the next generation of public health professionals. Dr. Sun's research focus is on exploring and identifying effective methods to deliver health messages tailored for the Asian communities. She has authored publications on multiple health topics and was a book chapter contributor for the Handbook of Asian American Health. In 2012, working with community partners, Dr. Sun founded the Asian Alliance for Health to promote a healthy, violence-free Asian community through local, national and global partnerships. To increase access to culturally tailored health education resources, [www.asiansforhealth.org](http://www.asiansforhealth.org) was launched as a web portal for multiple Asian language health articles.



## **Evaon Wong-Kim, MSW, MPH, LCSW, PhD**

Vice President

Asian Alliance for Health

Chair and Professor

Department of Social Work, California State University East Bay

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Dr. Evaon Wong-Kim is Professor and Chair at the Department of Social Work, California State University at East Bay. Dr. Wong-Kim has been a well-recognized advocate and researcher for minority and low-income breast cancer patients, especially the Asian immigrant and Pacific Islander population. Her research interest is on cancer survivorship and quality of life issues confronting Chinese immigrant breast cancer patients. Dr. Wong-Kim She has published and presented numerous papers at national and international conferences relating to breast cancer and psychosocial issues. She Dr. Wong-Kim has also conducted training in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Seoul, Guam, and Hawaii on providing effective social work intervention to women newly diagnosed with breast cancer. Dr. Wong-Kim is appointed as Assessment Panel Member of the Social Workers Registration Board in Hong Kong. She is a founding board member of the Intercultural Cancer Council, a national advocacy organization for improving the cancer mortality rate of the underserved populations. Dr. Wong-Kim was the President of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, San Francisco Bay Area Affiliate. She was the first Chair of the Asian and Pacific Islander National Advisory Council for the Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Dr. Wong-Kim was a member of the Minority Women's Health Panel of Experts, Office of Women's Health, DHHS. She was also the Community Director of the Asian American Network for Cancer Awareness, Research and Training project in Hawaii and served as board member of the American Cancer Society in Hawaii.

# Keynote Speakers



## **Tung Nguyen, MD**

Chair, President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders

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Dr. Tung Nguyen is Professor of Medicine at UCSF, where he provides primary care to a diverse patient population and teaches students, clinicians, and researchers. He is Program Co-Leader of the UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center Cancer Control Program and Director of the Asian American Research Center on Health (ARCH). Dr. Nguyen's research focuses on addressing health disparities using community-based participatory research (CBPR) methods. His prior work includes CBPR intervention projects to address cancer screening, viral hepatitis, tobacco cessation, and nutrition and physical activity. Dr. Nguyen is one of three Principal Investigators of the Asian American Network for Cancer Awareness, Research, and Training (AANCART), a National Center funded by the NCI to address cancer disparities through research, community involvement, and capacity building since 2000. His current projects include controlled trials of lay health worker outreach for colorectal cancer screening among 5 different Asian American populations, novel ways to address smoking cessation among Asian Americans, and the use of mobile applications to increase screening for viral hepatitis and to promote healthy nutrition and physical activity among Asian Americans. Dr. Nguyen is currently Chair of President Barack Obama's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. He is also the Stephen J. McPhee, MD Endowed Chair in General Internal Medicine.

# Keynote Speakers



## **Edward A. Chow, MD, FACP**

President, Health Commission, San Francisco Department of Public Health

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Dr. Chow has been a practicing internist in San Francisco for over forty years. A native San Franciscan, he attended the University of San Francisco, and the St. Louis University School of Medicine and completed his post graduate training in internal medicine at the Southern Pacific Memorial Hospital, San Francisco.

Dr. Chow is a founder of the Chinese Community Health Plan (CCHP) and Chinese Community Health Care Association (CCHCA). He served as the Executive Director of CCHCA and Chief Medical Officer of CCHP for almost three decades and is currently a senior advisor for CCHP. CCHCA is a non-profit association of over 250 physicians serving over 40,000 San Franciscans through seven health plans.

Dr. Chow has served over 25 years on the San Francisco Health Commission where he advocated for the health needs of the Asian community, such as requiring culturally competency in program delivery, and sustaining the Chinatown Public Health Center. He is currently the President of the San Francisco Health Commission, Co-Chair of the Asian American Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Diabetes Coalition, Chair of the API American Diabetes Action Committee for the American Diabetes Association, and a principal investigator for the Asian American Network for Cancer, Awareness, Research and Training. Dr. Chow has also served as President of the San Francisco Medical Society and President of the California Society of Internal Medicine.

# Keynote Speakers



## **Janlee Wong, MSW**

Executive Director, National Association of Social Workers,  
California Chapter

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Janlee Wong is the Executive Director of the 10,500 - member California Chapter, National Association of Social Workers (NASW). The National Association of Social Workers is a membership organization with over 140,000 members in the United States. NASW promotes, develops and protects the practice of social work and social workers. NASW also seeks to enhance the effective functioning and well-being of individuals, families and communities through its work and through its advocacy.

Mr. Wong is a member of the Yolo County Local Mental Health Board. He serves on the Board of Directors for the California Social Work Education Center and on the Community Advisory Board for the San Francisco State School of Social Work. Mr. Wong has served on the Board of Directors for the Council on Social Work Education.

Prior to NASW, Mr. Wong worked for San Diego County in the Chief Administrative Office, as the Public Conservator and Chief of Adult Protective Services. Mr. Wong has been a healthcare consultant and a budget examiner for the U.S. Office of Management and Budget in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Wong received his MSW from San Francisco State University and a BA in Asian Studies from Claremont McKenna College.

# Keynote Speakers



## **Acting Captain Ed Santos**

Special Victims Unit, San Francisco Police Department

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Acting Captain Edward Santos Jr. is a 34-year veteran of the San Francisco Police Department. As the Captain of the Special Victims Unit, he oversees several investigative branches that investigate Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Child Abuse, Human Trafficking, Internet Crimes Against Children, Sexual Cold Cases, Stalking, Missing Persons, Elder Abuse, Financial Crimes and Psychiatric related events.

Prior to serving in the Special Victims Unit, Acting Captain Santos has spent a majority of his career in investigations. He specializes in both property and street crimes. His investigative skills have helped in the recovery of over three million dollars worth of stolen property including a famous Picasso painting.

As captain of the Special Victims Unit, his goal is to ensure that every victim/survivor that comes into contact within the SVU is given the best service and opportunity for resolution.

# Our Story

## Sharing our Asian and Pacific Islander Voices through Digital Storytelling

It takes a thousand voices to tell a single story. Asian and Pacific Islanders are a multitude of voices, not a singular voice. The face of mental health experiences is as diverse as the people and languages affected by them. Digital storytelling is a form of short narrative told in the first person and enhanced by sound and images. They are the storyteller's own creation, recounting the ways in which various life experiences impacted their mental health and wellness. The stories emerged from a place of strength and courage so listen deeply with humility to hear the nuances and subtleties of how people describe their health and mental health, including healing beliefs and traditions.



**Natalie T. Ah Soon, MPH** is a public health professional with over seven years of experience working with AA&PIs in the area of health, healthcare, health promotion, health education, policy advocacy, and mental health on the local, state, and national level. She also has experience in community organizing, community building, and coalition building. Further, Ms. Ah Soon has experience working with community health centers and organizations serving AA&PI populations in the U.S. and its jurisdictions. She concurrently serves as project coordinator

for the API Mental Health Collaborative at RAMS and coordinator for the API Health Parity Coalition... She has extensive experience in providing culturally and linguistically respectful breast health education and health systems navigation, and currently leads the Samoan Breast Cancer Awareness Project at the Samoan Community Development. Her other roles include serving on the Board of Directors of the Asian & Pacific Islander Caucus for Public Health as a Senior Caucus Councilor. She guest lectured at UC Berkeley and City College of San Francisco on Pacific Islander health and social determinants of health. She has presented at national conferences and regional coalition convening. Her master's degree fieldwork was with the Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF), leading a Pacific Islander coalition to highlight and amplify the needs of this group. She previously worked as a Program Assistant for the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO) Health Disparities Programs, providing programmatic and administrative support. She is fluent in Samoan and is a proud native of American Samoa.

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**Chan Agnes Sui Yin, PhD, UCSD**

Professor

Department of Psychology, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Chan Sui Yin, Agnes is currently a professor at the Department of Psychology of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Director of the Chanwuyi Research Center for Neuropsychological Well-Being. She obtained a doctoral degree in 1995 majoring in clinical neuropsychology from the University of California at San Diego. Prof. Chan's research interest has been on clinical neuropsychology and neuropsychological intervention. Her research has been published in Top-ranking journals including Nature, Archive of Neurology, Cancer, Neuropsychology and Journal of Affective Disorder. In 2004, Professor Chan was awarded the Early

Career Award by the American Psychological Association, and has held positions several honorary positions including Adjunct Professor at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and Consultant to the Alzheimer's disease Research Center at the University of California at San Diego. She is currently the Associate Editor of Neuropsychology. She is an author of The Hong Kong List Learning Test that is a most commonly used clinical neuropsychological tests in Hong Kong. Her other publications (in Chinese) included Four-Principles to Enhance Children's Brain Functioning (Chung Hwa Book Co., 2009), In Search of One's Heart (World Publishing Company, 2009), Dejian Mind-Body Intervention 5th Edition (Chanwuyi Publishing House Limited, 2013; Guangming Daily Publishing Limited, 2014 - simplified form)



**Prof. Chan Chi-ho, Wallace**

Assistant Professor

BSoc. (CUHK), Ph.D (HKU), RSW, FT (Fellow in Thanatology: Death, Dying and Bereavement), Diplomate of Logotherapy (Clinician)

Specialty and Research Interests

Specialties: Death, dying and bereavement, social work in health care, gerontology, logotherapy, meaning-based research and intervention, practice-based research, clinical data mining.

## Five Representative Publications

- Chan, W. C. H. (2014). Factor structure of the Chinese Version of the Meaning in Life Questionnaire in Hong Kong Chinese Caregivers. *Health & Social Work*. doi: 10.1093/hsw/hlu025
- Chan, W.C.H. (2013). Relationships between psychosocial issues and physical symptoms of Hong Kong Chinese palliative care patients: Insights into social workers' role in symptoms management. *British Journal of Social Work*. doi:10.1093/bjsw/bct090
- Chan, W. C. H., & Tin, A. F. (2012). Beyond knowledge and skills: Self-Competence in working with death, dying and bereavement. *Death Studies*, 36(10), 899-913.
- Chan, W. C. H. (2011). Being aware of the prognosis: How does it relate to palliative care patients' anxiety and communication difficulty with family members in the Hong Kong Chinese context? *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 14(9), 997-1003.
- Chan, W.C.H., Epstein, I., Reese, D., & Chan, C.L.W. (2009). Family predictors of psychosocial outcomes among Hong Kong Chinese cancer patients in palliative care: living and dying with the "support paradox". *Social Work in Health Care*, 48(5), 519-532.

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## **Dr. Chan Chung-ming**

Part-time Lecturer

BSocSc(HKU); MSc-Clinical Psychology(Surrey); PhD (HKU); Registered Clinical Psychologist, HKPS and U.K.; AAMFT Clinical Fellow and Approved Supervisor

### Specialty

Clinical work (individual, family and group) in the areas of family violence, relational problems such as couple and parenting-child conflicts, sex offending behaviour, juvenile delinquency, adult emotional problems; Clinical supervision on casework management and counseling; Family therapy training and supervision

### Affiliation

Clinical Psychologist, Social Welfare Department



**Ming Quan Chang** arrived in the United States in 1985 under the Vietnamese Refugee Orderly Departure Program and has been working as a Domestic Violence Advocate at Donaldina Cameron House since November 1986. Besides being a domestic violence advocate, Ming is the Instructor of the Interactive Parent-Child Workshop and was the Coordinator of the Women's Support Group (a group for domestic violence survivors and their children), as well. Prior to her involvement with the Parent-Child Workshop, Ming managed Cameron House's Chinatown Kids' Turn Program, which is the first Chinese educational program in the San Francisco Bay Area for children and parents experiencing separation

or divorce. Ming is tri-lingual (Chinese, English, and Vietnamese) and tri-cultural. Her mission is to ensure that domestic violence survivors and their children have immediate access to safe housing and emotional healing, as well as financial and legal assistance.

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**Prof. Chen Ji-kang**

Associate Professor  
BA(Social Work)(National Taiwan U); MSW(Washington U); PhD(U of Southern California)

Specialty and Research Interests

Cross-cultural research, school violence, family violence, community violence, sexual abuse, youth delinquency and adolescent mental health

Four Representative Publications

- Chen, J.K. & Wei, H.S. (2013). School violence, social support and psychological health among Taiwanese junior high school students. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 37(4), 252-262. (SSCI, IF=2.471, Social Work: Rank 3 of 38; Family Studies: 4 of 38; Social Psychology: 6 of 59).
- Chen, J. K. & Astor, R.A. (2012). School variables as mediators of the effect of personal and family factors on school violence in Taiwanese junior high schools. *Youth & Society*, 44(2), 175-200 (SSCI, IF=1.816, Social Issues: Rank 6 of 37; Sociology: 14 of 137; Social Science: 11 of 89)
- Chen, J.K. & Wei, H.S. (2011). Student victimization by teachers in Taiwan: prevalence and associations. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 35(5), 382-390. (SSCI, IF=2.471, Social Work: Rank 3 of 38; Family Studies: 4 of 38; Social Psychology: 6 of 59).
- Chen, J. K. & Astor, R.A. (2011). Students' personal traits, violence exposure, family factors, school dynamics and the perpetration of violence in Taiwanese elementary schools. *Health Education Research*, 26(1), 150-166. (SSCI, IF=1.656, Education Research: Ranked 20 of 203; Public, Environmental and Occupational Health: Rank 44 of 131).



**Prof. Cheung Mei-chun**

Associate Professor  
BSSc (CUHK), MPhil (CUHK), PhD (CUHK), RSW, Registered Clinical Psychologist (HKPS), Associate Fellow (HKPS, DCP)

Specialty and Research Interests

Clinical neuropsychology, clinical intervention, aging and dementia, Autism Spectrum Disorder

Five Representative Publications

- Cheung, M.C., Chan, A.S., Han, Y.M.Y., & Sze, S.L. (2014). Brain activity during resting state in relation to academic performance: evidence of neural efficiency. *Journal of Psychophysiology*, 28, 47-53.
- Cheung, M.C., Chan, A.S., Sze, S. L., Leung, W.W., & To, C.Y. (2010). Verbal memory deficits in relation to organization strategy in high- and low-functioning autistic children. *Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders*, 4, 764-771
- Cheung, M.C., Chan, A.S., & Sze, S.L. (2009). Increased theta coherence during Chinese reading. *International Journal of Psychophysiology*, 74, 132-138.
- Cheung, M.C., Chan, A.S., Lam, J.M.K., & Chan, Y.L. (2009). Pre- and postoperative fMRI and clinical memory performance in temporal lobe epilepsy. *Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery, and Psychiatry*, 80, 1099-1106.
- Cheung, M.C., Chan, A.S., Law, S.C., Chan, J.H., & Tse, V.K. (2000). Cognitive function of patients with nasopharyngeal carcinoma with and without temporal lobe radionecrosis. *Archives of Neurology*, 57, 1347-1352.

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**Karen Chu, JD (Chinese University of Hong Kong), BA** joined Cameron House in November 2013 as a Domestic Violence Case Manager with the Social Services Ministry. She is bi-cultural and bilingual in Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin) and English. Her duties and responsibilities include providing case management, intervention, and advocacy for victims of domestic violence. Apart from this, Karen also coordinates and facilitates the Cantonese Women's Support Group. Karen was born and raised in Hong Kong. She holds a BA in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles and a Juris Doctor degree from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. After graduation, Karen was determined to work in the non-profit sector and she feels very blessed to have the opportunity to serve the community at Cameron House.



**Hyun-mi Kim, BA** is a Community Advocate/Legal Caseworker at Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach in San Francisco. Hyun-mi provides comprehensive social services to victims of Human Trafficking and conducts educational workshops & trainings to the community partners. Before joining APILO, Hyun-mi was a Domestic Violence advocate at SAVE in Fremont and a Volunteer Program Coordinator and Sexual Assault Counselor at Rape Trauma Services of San Mateo County. Hyun-mi graduated with a BA degree in History from UCLA in 2003 and also studied 6 months in South Africa. Hyun-mi is a former member of Local Station Board of KPFA Community Radio Station of Pacifica Foundation and she brings 10 years of activist work in community outreach and education in anti-war and anti-rape organizing in immigrant communities.

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**Dr. KWOK LAI, Yuk Ching Sylvia**

Bachelor of Social Sciences (Social Work), University of Hong Kong  
Master of Social Sciences (Social Work), University of Hong Kong  
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare, Chinese University of Hong Kong  
Registered Social Worker

Publications (Selected List from 2005)

- Kwok, Sylvia YCL (in press) The moderating role of emotional competence on suicidal ideation among Chinese university students. *Journal of Advanced Nursing*.
- Kwok, Sylvia YCL, Leung, Cyrus LK, Wong, Daniel FK (in press) Marital satisfaction of Chinese mothers of children with autism and intellectual disabilities in Hong Kong. *Journal of Intellectual Disability Research*.
- Yeung Yuen Lan, Kwok Lai Yuk Ching, Chung, Annie (2013) Institutional peer support mediates the impact of physical declines on depressive symptoms in nursing home residents. *Journal of Advanced Nursing*, 69(4), 875-885.
- Kwok, Sylvia YCL, Chai, Wenyu, He, Xuesong (2013) Child abuse and suicidal ideation among adolescents in China. *Child Abuse & Neglect*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.chiabu.2013.06.006>
- Kwok, Sylvia YCL, Ling, Chloe CY, Leung, Cyrus LK, Li, Jessica CM (2013) Fathering self-efficacy, marital satisfaction, father involvement in Hong Kong. *Journal of Child and Family Studies*. DOI 10.1007/s10826-012-9666-1
- Kwok Lai Yuk Ching, Shek Tan Lei (2011) Family processes and suicidal ideation among Chinese adolescents in Hong Kong. *TheScientificWorldJOURNAL: TSW Child Health & Human Development*, 11, 27-41.



**Yulanda Kwong**, MSW is the Director of Social Services Ministry since 2003 at Donaldina Cameron House, a community-based organization located in San Francisco Chinatown that provides services to youth, adults and families through leadership development, counseling, group support, crisis intervention, education, and advocacy. Born and raised in San Francisco, Ms. Kwong has been working with children, youth and families in the San Francisco Chinatown community for over 20 years now. She has volunteered and worked with low-income Asian immigrants and native-born children and youth and their families in other community-based organizations in SF Chinatown, such as Asian Women's Resource Center, Chinatown YWCA, and NICOS' Chinese Health Coalition. Ms.

Kwong received her Bachelor's Degree in Asian American Studies from the University of California at Berkeley and her Master's Degree from UC Berkeley's School of Social Welfare with a specialization in Management and Planning.

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## **Prof. Lam Ching-man**

Vice Chairperson & Associate Professor  
BSSc (CUHK); MSW (McG.); PhD (W. Laurier); RSW

### Specialty and Research Interests

Clinical practice, marital and family therapy, field education, process and outcome evaluation in family therapy, exploration of worker-client relationship, adolescence and family studies.

### Five Representative Publications

- Lam, C.M. & Kwong, W.M. (2014). Powerful parent educators and powerless parents: the “empowerment paradox” in parent education. *Journal of Social Work*, 14 (2), 183-219. Originally published online March 4, 2013 DOI: 10.1177/1468017313477779 (SSCI impact factor 1.233, Ranking 7/38 in Social Work)
- Yuen, L. H., Kwong, W. M. & Lam, C. M. (2014). Collaborative learning in group parent education: A case study of process and outcome. *The International Journal of Early Childhood Learning*, 20 (1), 53-62.
- Lam, C. M. & Chan, S. C. Y. (2013). Validation of the Chinese version of Differentiation of Self Inventory, *Journal of Marital and Family Therapy* DOI:10.1111/jmft.12031(SSCI five year Impact factor 1.747).
- Yan, M. C., Lam, C. M. & Sean Lauer. (2013). Return Migrant or diaspora: An exploratory study of new generation Chinese-Canadian youth working in Hong Kong. *International Migration and Integration*. Published online April 13, 2013. DOI:10.1177/1468017313477779
- Lam, C.M. & Kwong, W. M. (2012). The ‘paradox of empowerment’ in parent education: A reflexive examination of parents’ pedagogical expectation. *Family relations*, 61 (1), 65-74. DOI: 10.1111/j.1741-3729.2011.00685 (SSCI five year Impact factor 1.612).



## **Dr LAW Yik-Wa, Frances**

PhD, MSW, BSocSc, RSW

Frances Y.W. Law, PhD, MSW, BSocSc, RSW, is Assistant Professor of the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, and Associate Director of the Centre for Suicide Research and Prevention in The University of Hong Kong. She was trained and practiced in social work both in Hong Kong and California, USA. She joined the Befrienders International Hong Kong Regional Office in setting up a 24-hour suicide prevention hotline service in 1994 and the first outreach program for suicidal elderly in Hong Kong in 1998. She served as the Project Director of the HKJC Centre for Suicide Research & Prevention at HKU from 2002 to 2012. She has made considerable contributions to the integration of

research and practice in suicide prevention. She not only has extensive experience in front-line practices, training for trainers, service development, strategic organizational development, and fundraising for innovative projects, but also a track record in research and publication. Her research interests include service utilization and pathway to care, suicide and follow-up care for deliberate self-harm patients, crisis intervention and care for traumatized individuals, and evaluation of programs’ efficacy and effectiveness.

### Research Interests

Mental health and social service research, service use and pathway to care, suicide and follow-up care for self-harm patients, crisis intervention, community-based mental health programs, work and mental health, mentorship program, and social service evaluation

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**Kin Leung, LMFT** is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who is bilingual in Cantonese. He works at Richmond Area Multi-Services, Inc. (RAMS), a non-profit mental health agency serving San Francisco's adults, children, youth & families, with special focus on the Asian & Pacific Islander American and Russian-speaking populations. Mr. Leung has worked as a RAMS Behavioral Health Counselor for many high schools across San Francisco for over a decade. He currently works at the Wellness Centers Program based at Lowell High School, providing direct services and supervision to interns. He also serves as Clinical Supervisor for the CalWORKs Counseling & Pre-Vocational Services program where he provides supervision to staff. As an immigrant from Hong Kong, Mr. Leung is

passionate about integrating psychotherapy with the Asian culture. He has a strong interest in Relational-Psychodynamic Theories and the applicability to the Asian American population. Mr. Leung completed his undergraduate degree in Psychology at the University of California, Berkeley and graduate degree in Marriage and Family Therapy at San Francisco State University. He also maintains a private practice in San Francisco where he provides consultation and psychotherapy for individuals, couples, and families.



**Mrs. Lo Ng Mei-kuen, Eva**  
Senior Lecturer  
BSSc (CUHK); MSocSc (HKU); RSW

Specialty and Research Interests  
Fieldwork education, rehabilitation services and youth services.

Two Representative Publications

- (2003). Mental Health and Social Competence of Mainland Chinese Immigrant and Local Youth in Hong Kong: A Comparison (with Daniel Fu Keung Wong, Phyllis Yan and Marion Hung). *Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work*, 12(1), 85-110.
- (2003). To Tell or Not to Tell; Disability Disclosure and Job Application Outcomes (with Veronica Pearson, Nelson Yip, Frances Ip, K.K. Ho and Heidi Hui). *The Journal of Rehabilitation*, 69(4), 35-38.

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**Rebecca Peng, LMFT** is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who is bilingual in Mandarin. She works at Richmond Area Multi-Services, Inc. (RAMS), a non-profit mental health agency serving San Francisco's adults, children, youth & families, with special focus on the Asian & Pacific Islander American and Russian-speaking populations. Ms. Peng is currently a Behavioral Health Counselor with the RAMS Wellness Centers Program which provides on-site behavioral health services to youth at 16 San Francisco Unified School District high schools. She has been practicing psychotherapy since 2003, working primarily with adolescents, adults, and families. She has over 17 years of work history in social service and community mental health agencies in San Francisco Bay Area. Ms. Peng's areas

of interest/experience include: Asian Americans, women's issues, addiction, acculturation, cross-cultural issues, difficulties in relationship/marriage, blended family, inter-generational issues, traumas, mood disorders, adjustment to major life transitions, parenting, and grief and loss. Ms. Peng graduated from University of California, Berkeley, with an undergraduate degree in Cultural Anthropology, and received a Master of Science in Counseling from San Francisco State University. She also maintains a private practice in San Francisco.



**Orchid Pusey, MA, BA** is the Associate Director of Asian Women's Shelter and has been on staff there for fourteen years. She has led a national training and technical assistance program in the domestic violence field for over eight years, and has focused on issues of organizational and movement sustainability, social service-centered interpretation and cultural competency, accessibility and unique programming for LGBTQ communities, and community building to end domestic violence, human trafficking, and all violence based on sex, gender, or sexuality. Ms Pusey also led the development of Asian Women's Shelter's Anti-Trafficking Program and its Multi-Lingual Digital Storytelling Project.

Ms Pusey has extensive experience building cultural and language access models that incorporate trained bilingual advocacy and interpretation, designing relationship skills-building curricula for specific populations, facilitating organizational development, and providing tailored, side by side training and technical assistance on program development and evaluation, strategic planning, addressing homophobia and heterosexism in anti-violence organizations, and assessing domestic violence in LGBTQ relationships and communities.

Ms Pusey grew up living back and forth between rural Pennsylvania and Beijing, P.R. China. She speaks Mandarin fluently, several other languages to varying degrees of proficiency, and holds a BA in Social Anthropology and an MA in Linguistics.

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**Christopher C. Stewart, MD, MA, FAAP**, is a Professor of Pediatrics at UCSF, and is board certified in child abuse pediatrics. Dr. Stewart received his MD degree from Harvard University and completed his residency training in pediatrics at UCSF. He is a pediatric medical forensic examiner at San Francisco General Hospital, and does child abuse consultations for San Francisco County hospitals, as well as consultation and testifying for San Francisco Child Protective Services and the District Attorney's office. Dr. Stewart runs a child abuse rotation for medical students, as well as residents. He has recently directed the newly built Children's Advocacy Center of San Francisco, a multidisciplinary center, to respond to child abuse allegations in San Francisco County, located in San

Francisco's Bayview neighborhood. He has received a number of teaching awards, has given numerous lectures and has consulted for programs responding to child physical and sexual abuse in international settings.



**Prof. To Siu-ming**  
Assistant Professor  
BSSc (CUHK), PhD (CUHK), RSW

Specialty and Research Interests  
Youth services and youth work practice, family education, school social work, qualitative research methodology, program evaluation

Four Representative Publications

- To, S.M., Tam, H.L., Ngai, S.S.Y., & Sung, W.L. (2014). Sense of meaningfulness, sources of meaning, and self-evaluation of economically disadvantaged youth in Hong Kong: Implications for youth development programs. *Children & Youth Services Review*. Advance online publication. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2014.10.010> (SSCI Journal; Five-Year Impact Factor: 1.383)
- To, S.M., & Tam, H.L. (2014). Work values, perceived job rewards and life outcomes of the new generation of Chinese migrant labourers' in Guangzhou, China: Implications for social work practice. *British Journal of Social Work*. Advance online publication. doi:10.1093/bjsw/bcu070 (SSCI Journal; Five-Year Impact Factor: 1.484)
- To, S.M., & Tam, H.L. (2014). Generational differences in work values, perceived job rewards, and job satisfaction of Chinese female migrant workers: Implications for social policy and social services. *Social Indicators Research*, 118, 1135-1312. (SSCI Journal; Five-Year Impact Factor: 1.877)
- To, S.M., So, Y.Y., & Chan, T.S. (2014). An exploratory study on the effectiveness and experience of a parent enhancement group adopting a narrative approach. *Journal of Social Work*, 14(1), 41-61. (SSCI Journal; Five-Year Impact Factor: 1.042)

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**Dr Tsang, Sandra Kit Man**  
Associate Professor  
Honorary Fellow  
Honorary Research Fellow

Department:  
Centre on Behavioral Health within the Faculty of Social Sciences  
Sau Po Centre on Ageing  
Department of Social Work and Social Administration  
The Hong Kong Jockey Club Centre for Suicide Research and Prevention

Faculty:  
Faculty of Social Sciences

Research Interests:

- Parent education
- Child and adolescent assessment and intervention
- Special education
- Gambling and drug prevention
- Family service review and development



**Benny Wong** is a licensed clinical social worker, and a senior program director for SteppingStone; Golden Gate Day Health. He has conducted research studies regarding mental health and Chinese senior immigrants. In 2007, he completed a research study entitled, "Help-seeking behavior among Depressed Chinese senior immigrants". In 2013, he coordinated research, "Suicide in Chinese older adults." Last year, he finished research regarding dementia and Therababy Doll. Since 2004, Benny Wong has supervised social work interns from different universities in the bay area. He was selected as a recipient in the category of "Community Hero" in the First Annual Asian Pacific Heritage Award in 2007. He was selected again as a recipient in the category of "Community Advocacy Award" in the

California Association of Adult Day Services Conference in 2010. Currently, Benny Wong was appointed by Supervisor David Campos to serve the Mental Health Board of San Francisco.

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**Diana L. Wong, Psy.D., LMFT** is a bicultural & bilingual psychologist & licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, with 20 years of clinical experience working in the community setting. She is a mental health clinician for the City & County of San Francisco, Department of Public Health at the Chinatown Child Development Center. Dr. Wong maintains a private psychotherapy practice in San Francisco and serves as a consultant for the Chinese Community Health Resource Center and Support for Families of Children with Disabilities.

Additionally, Dr. Wong is Co-Vice President of Board of Directors at Gum Moon Women's Residence, Asian Women's Resource Center and a member of Asians Against Violence. She is a strong community activist and regularly volunteers her

time in numerous community events in the Asian American community.

A Bay Area Native, she received her Doctor of Psychology degree from California School of Professional Psychology, Alliant International University and her Masters in Counseling Psychology from the University of San Francisco.

**Trish Shang-Tzu Yeh** is a Master of Social Welfare (MSW) student with a concentration in Community Mental Health at the University of California, Berkeley. She graduated from Washington University in St. Louis in August 2013 with majors in Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies and Psychology, as well as a minor in Anthropology. Her areas of interest include domestic violence/intimate partner violence, sexual violence, gender and women's issues, criminal justice, and social and mental health service delivery in ethnic and immigrant populations, particularly in Asian American communities.

Ms. Yeh is currently involved in two research projects. The first study investigates and documents the impacts of nuisance property laws on domestic violence victims in Saint Louis, Missouri. The second project explores the potential use of mobile applications to promote social and behavioral health service delivery in China.

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**Prof. Zhang Jiaan**

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Specialty and Research Interests

Aging in Families & Society, Social Policy and Aging, Successful Aging,  
Community-based Long-term Care, Market Transition, Social Change and Elderly  
Well-Being in China, Welfare Governance in Comparative Perspective

Two Representative Publications

- Li, L. & Zhang, J. (forthcoming, 2013). Challenges to successful aging in transitional China. In S.Cheung, I. Chi, H. Fung, L. Li, & J. Woo (Eds.), *Successful Aging in Southeast Asia*. Springer.
- Li, L., Zhang, J., & Liang, J. (2009). Health among the oldest-old in China: Which living arrangements make a difference? *Social Science & Medicine*. Volume 68, Issue 2: 220-227.



**Katelynn Weiqi Cao** is a Chinese American woman who identifies as an API woman / youth activist / feminist. She was born in China and immigrated to the United States when she was twelve. As a youth leader for YAWAV, Katelynn learns about gender-based violence and other different forms of oppression that exists in today's society. She feels strongly about advocating for gender equality, not just talking about it, but taking actions to educate the

community, empower womxn, and to encourage more people to speak out on such issues. She believes that all women should have the right to be paid the same as men, all womxn should have the right to make decisions about their own body, and everyone should be treated with the same respect in our society. Currently, Katelynn is an incoming freshman at University of California, Davis. In the future, she plans to go into social work, continue to challenge social stigmas, and to fight for social justice.

**Haolin Fang** is a San Franciscan who identifies as a cisgender Chinese American young womxn, G-Dragon lover, youth social activist and full-time student. Currently, Haolin is a youth leader for YAWAV. She fervently learns about gender-based violence and educates others about it throughout the Bay Area. She actively participates in community events and advocates against all forms of violence. Haolin joined YAWAV because she wanted to take action and use her youth voice in her community to inspire others to break the silence. YAWAV has transformed her into a stronger, healthier, more educated and empowered person. Haolin plans to continue her advocacy for social justice at UCLA. She will forever strive to challenge the norm and fight for positive social change.

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**Sammi Mei** is a Chinese American feminist and youth activist in the Bay Area. She is also a passionate volleyball player. Sammi is passionate about challenging racism because it affects so many people every day through behaviors like: racial profiling, racial discrimination, etc. She believes that unlearning racism can unite the people into one big community. Sammi first joined YAWAV because she is interested in the topics that are taught and the work was done. Besides learning about issues related to gender based violence, she is also educated about the different issues happening in her community. She went from just being socially aware to a true youth activist. Through the process, Sammi has become a better daughter, friend, leader, and person. Sammi will do her best to pass on the knowledge she gained from YAWAV and will continue to participate in activism work wherever she goes in the future.

**Kellan Tran** is a Vietnamese American, heteroflexible, SF native, and womyn of color. She is currently a senior at Lowell High School and is part of two year long leadership programs—YAWAV and Youth Movement of Justice Organizing (YMOJO). She is extremely passionate about issues regarding gender based violence as someone who has faced violence—verbal, visual, and physical—on a daily basis as a womyn. In addition, many of the people close to her are survivors of gender based violence. Because of these reasons, she joined YAWAV to actively fight against these social injustices as she no longer wants to watch the people close to her deteriorate and wants to be their pillar of support. Through YAWAV, she has learned to be a better leader, mindful, and acknowledge the space she takes up. She hopes to bring her leadership and youth voice into her community to educate, inspire, and empower others to stand up against violence.

**Kandyce Wong** is an Asian American young woman, and recent high school graduate, who was born and raised in San Francisco. While attending an all girls school from kindergarten to 8th grade, her passion for advocating and raising awareness for gender based violence began to blossom. Joining YAWAV has provided Kandyce with a space to discuss and become even more passionate about issues such as domestic violence, sexual harassment/sexual assault, and rape culture. Moving forward, Kandyce will continue to partake in conversations regarding such important topics in hopes of educating those around her.

**Lauren Wu** identifies as a Chinese Immigrant/ bisexual/ young Asian woman against violence. She immigrated to the United States since 2005. During high school, she started questioning her sexual identity. Currently she is part of the LGBTQ API community, which it motivates her to get involve in the community youth center to learn more about her community. Currently Lauren Wu is a youth leader for YAWAV. She has participated in different kinds of community events and she also facilitates workshops about social issues through YAWAV. Through her hard work, she realized that she enjoys working with her community. After graduating from Galileo High School, she plans to continue her interest in community work for the API community in college.

# Poster Session



**Joyce Cheng, MS** is the program manager at the Chinese Community Health Resource Center (CCHRC), and the Secretary/Treasurer at the Asian Alliance for Health. Ms. Cheng began her role as a health educator/ research associate in 2006 and has progressed to her current position. Ms. Cheng is bilingual in English and Chinese (Mandarin and Cantonese) and utilizes her bi-cultural skills and experience in public health to support the efforts of CCHRC in minimizing health disparities in the Chinese

community in San Francisco. She coordinated health promotion educational campaigns on violence prevention, chronic disease management, general health and etc. Ms. Cheng assumed the role of research associate for numerous NIH-funded research studies and assisted in grant processes, research, and publications.



**Vida Kuang** is currently a youth coordinator for CYC's Young Asian Women Against Violence leadership program. She is a native San Franciscan, raised by Chinatown, API, and woman of color. Having experienced her first year as a youth coordinator, she has grown quickly and thrived in having the privilege to work with young people. Vida believes that by educating and learning with youth about structural and interpersonal oppression, we are able to better dismantle violence in our communities.

“It’s very powerful that I get to witness youth connect intersectional issues and ideas into their lives. I think that by learning the language to identify oneself is power and seeing how social change starts from oneself to one’s community is revolutionary.”