



Chinese American Hematologist and Oncologist Network
美国华裔血液与肿瘤专家学会

June 1, 2020

Dear CAHON Members,

It was a huge honor for me to be elected President of CAHON by you three years ago. It has been absolutely a privilege to serve CAHON and you for the last two years. Nothing could have made a president of CAHON more excited than seeing, in the last two years, 66 new members have joined CAHON.

CAHON has also become financially more stable, owing to every CAHON member's participation in organizing and attending the events and owing to the meticulous financial management led by our current Treasurer Dr. Yuxia Jia and immediate past treasurer Dr. Mei Tang. As of today, our cash reserve has reached \$416,946.

It has been a highly rewarding two-year for me, owing to the guidance and support from the Board of Directors and its Chair Dr. David Z. Chang. It is also a productive two-year, owing to all the CAHON Executive Committees and their hard work behind the scenes.

It is also a fortunate two-year that began with our management partnership with EDI. Ms. Nichole Nikolic, our CAHON's Executive Director, together with her administrative team, has built CAHON into a stronger and healthier professional organization with a brand-new "image".

Attached please find our last two newsletters. I do not think I can take any credit for the achievements made by CAHON and CAHON members in the last two years. I carried on the leadership position from a great past president, Dr. Zihai Li, who has mentored me in the last four years. He and past leaderships have already built the CAHON into a strong organization.

From today on, I believe, CAHON is going to have an even brighter two years under the leadership of new President Dr. Chongxian Pan and new Board Chair Dr. Wenru Song. I am so grateful that Chongxian was willing to serve as Vice President in the last two years and appreciate your election of him as our new President.

Cheers,

Lei Zheng, MD, PhD

CAHON President (June 2018-May 2020)

Cc. Dr. David Chang, CAHON Chair of the Board (2018-2020)

Dr. Wenru Song, CAHON Chair of the Board (2020-2022)

Dr. Chongxian Pan, CAHON President (2020-2022)

Ms. Nichole Nikolic, CAHON Executive Director

Ms. Tara Withington, EDI Consulting Partner



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NEWSLETTER

December 2019

Disseminating Knowledge and Promoting Oncologic Care

On June 1, 2019, the **CAHON Summer, Semi-Annual Symposium and Reception** was held at the Metropolitan in Willis Tower, Chicago, IL, during the 2019 ASCO Annual Meeting. Three CAHON members spoke about the recent clinical developments in lung cancer, genitourinary cancer, and gastrointestinal cancer. More than 200 CAHON members and guests attended this event.



[More Event Photos](#)

On July 27, 2019 -- **Hampton Roads Oncology Updates 2019** -- the CAHON Community Oncology CME Conference was jointly held by the CAHON Clinical Practice Committee and US Oncology in New Port News, Virginia. Close to 200 people attended the meeting and about 50 were CAHON members from around the country. The meeting focused on GI malignancies, with updates on medical oncology, surgical oncology and cancer genetics. CAHON members enjoyed a social gathering after the education event.

To view photos from the event and the program agenda, [visit here](#).

On November 16-17, 2019, the **[6th Annual New York Oncology Forum \(NYOF\)](#)** was held at the Sheraton La Guardia Hotel in Flushing, New York. The Forum attracted over 135 attendees including 96 CAHON members. More than 20 experts, 18 of which were CAHON members, gave talks about different areas of oncology management. Dr. Kanti Rai, who was awarded the CAHON's Lifetime Achievement Award during the CAHON Annual Meeting, presented the keynote address about the Current Therapy for Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia.



[More Forum Photos](#)[Download the Full Program Book](#)[World Journal Report](#)

On December 7, 2019, the [CAHON Semi-Annual Winter Symposium and Reception](#) was held at the Gaylord Palms Resort and Conference Center in Orlando, FL, during the 2019 ASH Annual Meeting. Four CAHON members spoke on the recent clinical developments in hematologic malignancies. More than 100 CAHON members and guests attended this event.

[More Event Photos](#)[Download the Full Event Program](#)

Submitted by the CAHON Event and Education Committee: Yiwu Huang, MD, PhD and Jiping Wang, MD, PhD and the CAHON Clinical Practice Committee: Ligeng Tian, MD, PhD, Jane Liu, MD, PhD, Bo Zhao, MD, PhD

Leading the Field of Immuno-Oncology

CAHON successfully co-hosted the **5th Annual Cancer Immunotherapy Workshop**, June 29-30, 2019 in Tianjin, China with the China Center for Food and Drug International Exchange (CCFDIE), Center of Drug Evaluation (CDE) of the China

National Medical Products Administration (NMPA), and the Tsinghua University School of Medicine. Once again, CAHON played a leading role in convening the world's leaders in the development, investigation, and evaluation of new cancer Immunotherapeutics together, to discuss the next wave of the development of immunoncology. The event featured academic IO thought leaders from Harvard, Yale, Stanford, John Hopkins, The Ohio State University, University of Washington, the University of California, Los Angeles, the University of California Irvine, and the University of Michigan as well as their counterpart leaders from Tsinghua University, Nan Kai University, and SYS School of Medicine. Senior executives from Merck and Astella provided industry perspectives.



[Additional Workshop Photos](#)

To download the program in [Chinese, click here](#).

To download the program in [English, click here](#).

[Report by Zhishifenzi \(Chinese\)](#)

[Report by National Medical Products Administration](#)

Submitted by the CAHON Publication Committee: Huiguo (Edward) Lin, MD, PhD, Bo Lu, MD, PhD

Bridging the Gap in the Hematologic and Oncologic Research and Patient Care Between China and the United States

In addition to the 5th Annual Cancer Immunotherapy Workshop, CAHON has participated in several activities in 2019 that fulfill the mission to serve as a bridge between China and the United States.

International Conference on Innovative Drug Clinical Development (English Translation) on June 27, 2019 in Hangzhou, China

First Annual **CLINICALTRIALS + US Summit** on July 31, 2019, in Boston, MA

CAHON activities during the **China Society of Clinical Oncology (CSCO) Annual Meeting** in Xiamen, China, September 18-22, 2019

CAHON Clinical Oncology Roundtable Forum on September 19, 2019

Committee of Oversea Experts (COE) Session on September 20, 2019



CSCO-CAHON-SITC Immune-Oncology Session on September 21, 2019

More than 40 CAHON members attended as invited speakers, session chairs and CAHON-CSCO travel awardees

Submitted by the CAHON Sino-US Committee: Xinsheng (Michael) Liao, MD, PhD, Jin He, MD, PhD

Bridging the Gap in Clinical Practice of Oncology Between China and the United States

In July 2019, CAHON's Clinical Practice Committee organized a delegation of twelve CAHON members to travel to Guiyang, Qianzhou. As community-based experts, their goal was to meet and exchange experiences with colleagues from Guizhou Medical University Hospital and Guizhou University of Traditional Chinese Medicine. Fifteen CAHON members participated in case discussions, lectures and question and answer sessions with representatives from many of the hosting hospital departments. There was great interest in cooperating in order to integrate modern medicine with traditional Chinese medicine and to improve the level of diagnosis, treatment and scientific research of cancer in China.



[View Additional Photos](#)

Submitted by the CAHON Clinical Practice Committee: Jane Liu, MD, PhD, Bo Zhao, MD, PhD

Promoting Career Development of Future Hematologists and Oncologists

Since 2018, nearly 40 trainees have joined CAHON as Associate Members. The CAHON Fellow Committee has successfully organized a Trainee Session during the 6th Annual New York Oncology Forum (NYOF) in November 2019. CAHON provided multiple travel awards to Associate Members to attend the Virginia Beach CME Conference and the CAHON New York Oncology Forum (NYOF).

NYOF Trainee Session

Session Chairs:

- Bo Wang, MD - Mt. Sinai Medical Center
- Yucai Wang, MD, PhD - Mayo Clinic

Presenters:

- Haiyun Wang, MD, Fellow - University of Minnesota, *Pathological Complete Response Following Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy in Operable Breast Cancer Patients: Is Obesity a Predictive Factor?*
- Lei Deng, MD, Resident (PGY3) - Jacobi Medical Center, *Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Mortality of Lung Cancer as a Second Primary Malignancy*
- Kevin Shieh, MD, Resident - Maimonides Medical Center, *Response to Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Treatment in a Mixed Group of Patients with Platinum Sensitive and Refractory Cervical Cancer*

- Jiajia Zhang, MD, MPH - Johns Hopkins University, *Oral Antibiotic Use and Risk of Colorectal Cancer in the United Kingdom, 1989-2012: A Matched Case - Control Study*



[More Forum Photos](#)

[Download the Full Program Book](#)

Submitted by the CAHON Fellow Committee: Lin Mei, MD, PhD, Gang Chen, MD, PhD

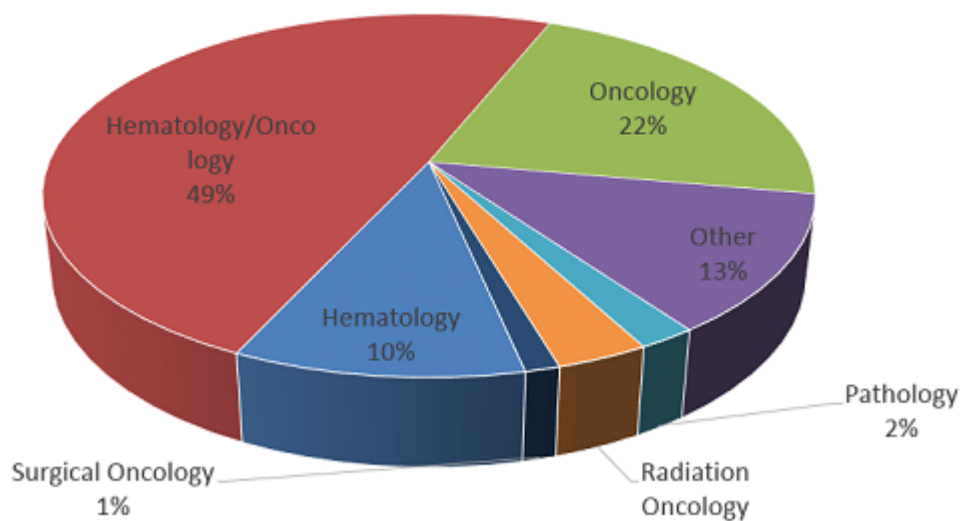
Developing CAHON into a Professional Society of Clinical Oncology Research Excellence

Many CAHON members are key opinion leaders in clinical oncology research. The Clinical Research Committee has developed a searchable, online Member Directory. Members can log in to search for the members' affiliation, specialties and research interests. Members can [log in here](#). If you are a member and need assistance logging in to your member account, please email info@cahon.org.

Membership Report

[View a full membership report by clicking here.](#)

Board Certifications



CAHON Clinical Trial Consortium

More recently, the committee surveyed the membership to determine if there is interest in forming a CAHON Clinical Trial Consortium.

[View the trial consortium survey results here.](#)

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Submitted by the CAHON Clinical Research Committee: Janice Lu, MD, PhD, Jun Zhang, MD, PhD, Andrew X. Zhu, MD, PhD

Promoting Academic Development of CAHON Members

In 2019, CAHON recognized ten young investigators that are CAHON members and three international guests with awards for their academic excellence.



Young Investigator Awards

- Sophie Feng, MD, Princess Margaret Hospital
- Changchuan Jiang, MD, PhD, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Siyu Shi, MD Candidate, Stanford School of Medicine
- Hao Xie, MD, PhD, Mayo Clinic
- Christina Poh, MD - University of California at Davis
- Mengyang Di, MD, PhD - Rhode Island Hospital

International Young Investigator Awards

- Peiqi Zhao, PhD - Tianjin Medical University Cancer Institute and Hospital
- Tongyuan Xue, MD, PhD Candidate - Irell & Manella Graduate School of Biological Sciences
- Xiangxiang Zhou, MD - Shandong Provincial Hospital

New York Oncology Forum (NYOF) Fellows and Resident Travel Award

- Haiyun Wang, MD - University of Minnesota
- Shijia Zhang, MD, PhD - University of Minnesota
- Zhihong Julia Zhang, MD, PhD - University of Arkansas

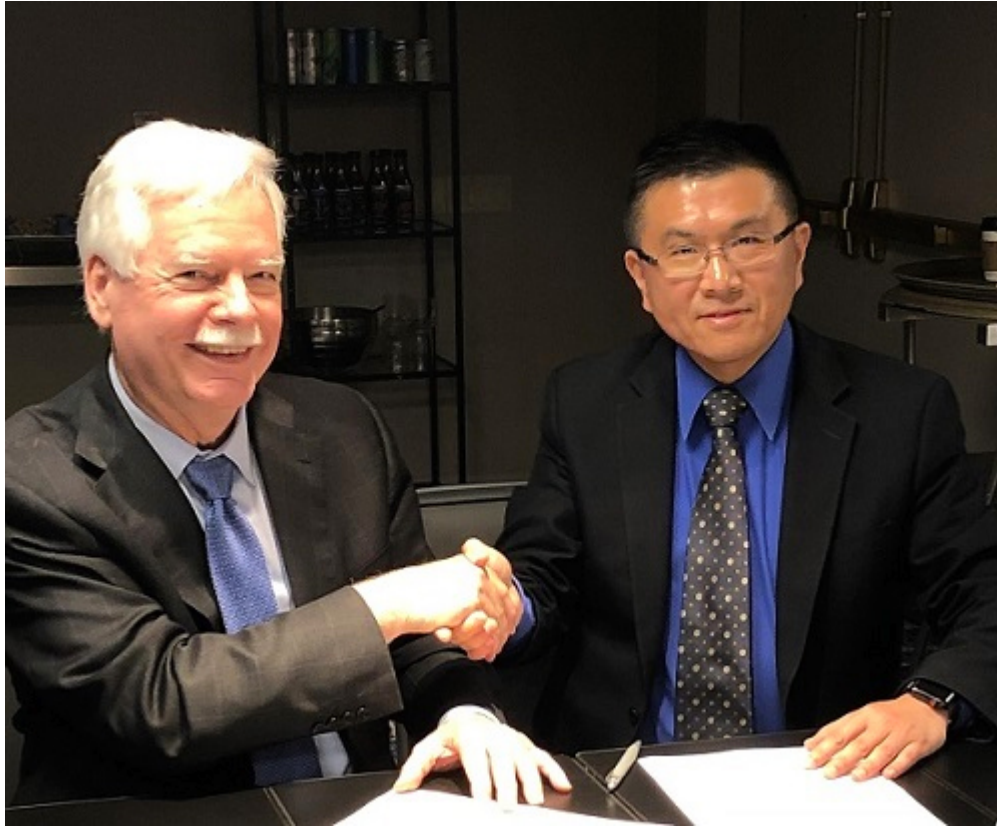
Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) Young Investigator Award

- Kai He, MD, PhD, The Ohio State University

Submitted by the CAHON Academic Committee: Siwen Hu, MD, PhD, Wei Ding, MD, PhD

Increasing Key Strategic Partnerships

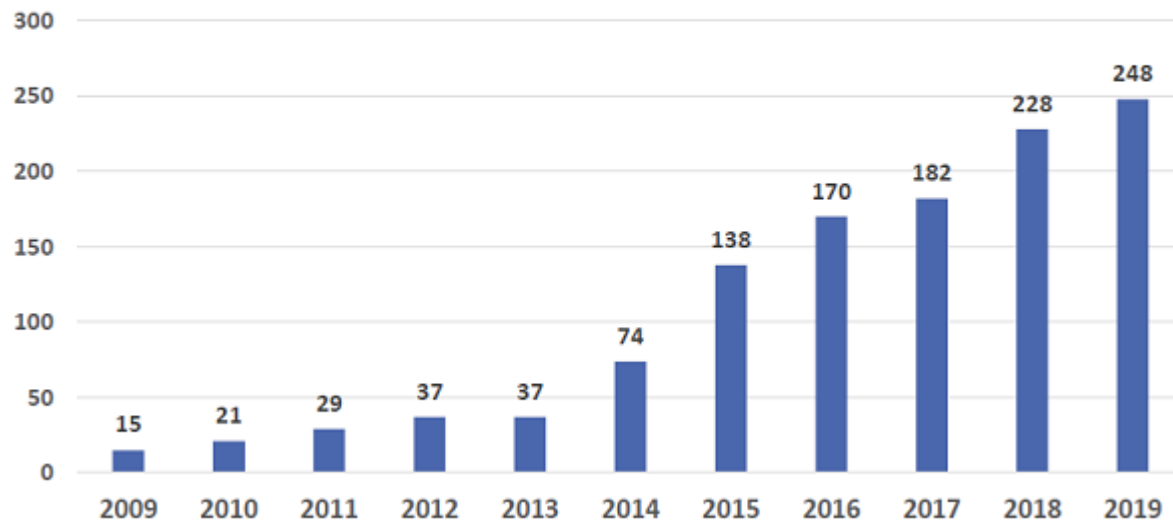
On June 2, 2019, CAHON signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the [National Comprehensive Cancer Network \(NCCN\)](#) establishing a partnership to work together to improve oncologic patient care in China.



Growing Membership

In the last four years, CAHON membership has grown significantly. The majority of CAHON members have logged into the new CAHON website and are fully engaged with the CAHON activities.

CAHON Membership Totals Over Time



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Allied Membership: \$100 USD Annually

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Outstanding Service Award

CAHON continues to honor our members for their outstanding services and contributions. This year's Outstanding Service Awardees are:



Jing-Zhou Hou, MD, PhD



Sen Zhuang, MD, PhD

Submitted by the CAHON Membership Committee: Hong Zheng, MD, PhD, Chaohong Fan, MD, PhD, and Qiwei Gai, MD, PhD

We Need Your Support - Consider an End of Year Donation to CAHON

In 2018, we had a very successful donation drive, with many of you and our global colleagues donating generously. The financial support helped us to accomplish all of these goals in 2019. Thank you!

We hope to mirror the success of last year and sincerely hope to see broad participation from our wonderful friends and colleagues and beyond. Donations can be made by check or online and you can indicate how you would like the funds to be used. [Please visit the CAHON website here](#) to make a donation.

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Spring 2020

Giving Back - Utilizing the CAHON Network During a Global Pandemic

Helping Wuhan

CAHON members have always reacted and responded decisively and actively to major disaster events either in the US or in China by donating money or supplies to those in need. In January 2020, when the COVID-19 epidemic hit China, CAHON members collaborated with the Wuhan University Alumni Association of Greater New York to raise funds and to send desperately needed medical equipment for China. Shipments were sent to CAHON Allied members at the Wuhan Tongji Hospital on January 30 and February 2, 2020 containing a total of 160 N95 masks, 300 level 3 surgical masks and 50 level 3 surgical masks with shields.

Supporting Patients

Once COVID-19 hit the United States, CAHON recognized that cancer patients would be facing increased challenges, so urged members to donate to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (www.LLS.org) and American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org), which routinely assist cancer patients and provide funds to those in dire need.

Forming a Task Force

Understanding the importance of the CAHON network during such unprecedented times, CAHON assembled a volunteer COVID-19 Task Force to identify reliable sources of personal protective equipment (PPE) for members and the medical community in the United States.

CAHON COVID-19 Task Force:

1. **Board Sponsor:** David Chang
2. **Fundraising Drive:** Delong Liu, Lei Zheng, Yuxia Jia
3. **Procurement:** Wenru Song, Ruirong Yuan, Tina Li, Bo Zhao (identified reliable sources, coordinate with other organizations)
4. **Member Coordination and Distribution:** Ruirong Yuan, Jingzhou Hou, Bo Zhao

5. **Information and Resources:** Yiwu Huang, Weijing Sun and Wendy Wang (collect useful and reliable information including guidelines, study papers, useful web links, etc. to publish on CAHON website)
6. **Legal and Regulatory:** Chongxian Pan, David Chang (work with Executive Director Nichole Nikolic and attorney to review Responsibility Liability implications)

“BayHelix-CAHON for US” PPE Initiative

The Task Force identified BayHelix (www.bayhelix.org), an organization comprised of cross-border business leaders in the life sciences and health care industry between the U.S. and China, as a reliable organization already playing a key role in donation drives to help people in need during this COVID-19 crisis.

Lead by Dr. Wenru Song (Board Chair-Elect) and others including Drs. Lei Zheng (President), David Chang (Board Chair) Ruirong Yuan, Chongxian Pan (President-Elect), and Bo Zhao (Clinical Practice Committee Co-chair), a collaboration was developed with BayHelix for both launching a [Webinar Series](#), and the “BayHelix-CAHON for US” PPE initiative, of which CAHON members were the largest beneficiary. The collaboration allowed CAHON members and stakeholders, both in the U.S. and in China, to use the well-run BayHelix platform to assist CAHON members and the medical community in need.

Upon conclusion in April 2020, the initiative was a tremendous success. There was heartfelt participation and support across US and China, with over \$70,000+ raised and there was great thanks to all the passionate donors, particularly to I-Mab Biopharma, and collaborative partners, BayHelix and Zenni for tremendous support!

A total of 150+ boxes of PPEs (about 18,000 KN95 and 15,600 surgical masks) were sent to 80+ CAHON members and longtime supporters on the frontline of patient care fighting COVID-19 in the US. The PPE allocations were prioritized based on the severity of COVID-19 in the region and the urgent personal needs of CAHON member physicians. For each personal use request, 1-4 boxes of PPE with 50 KN95 and 200 medical masks or 200 KN95 were allocated and shipped. Limited PPE supplies of gowns (about 400) and goggles were primarily allocated to the hit-hardest CAHON members physicians in the NY/NJ areas.

CAHON thanks all of the volunteer COVID-19 Task Force members from BayHelix, Zenni and CAHON for the hard work, dedication and passion. The initiative was one of the largest and strongest volunteer actions that all CAHON members have participated in. Particularly, thanks go to **Wenru Song** who drove the BayHelix-CAHON collaboration, **Ruirong Yuan** who initiated and led the CAHON PPE drive, **David Chang** and other task force members who led the CAHON COVID-19 task force, **Bo Zhao**, **Mei Chen**, and **Deng Zhang** for their meticulous and hard work in coordinating the requests and shipments, and **Ligeng Tian** and **Faye Yin** whose beautiful articles recorded the task. Thanks are also wholeheartedly extended to **Hannah Lu** and **Iris Chu** (BayHelix), **Julia Zhen** (Zenni) and her Zenni team for the tireless efforts and seamless!



Dear Healthcare Providers,

Thank you for being at the front lines as we work together to overcome this virus and keep our communities in good health. We especially appreciate your dedication and selflessness during these times of crisis, and are holding you and your families in uplifting thoughts. Be safe and best wishes!

From,

- The ones you are protecting

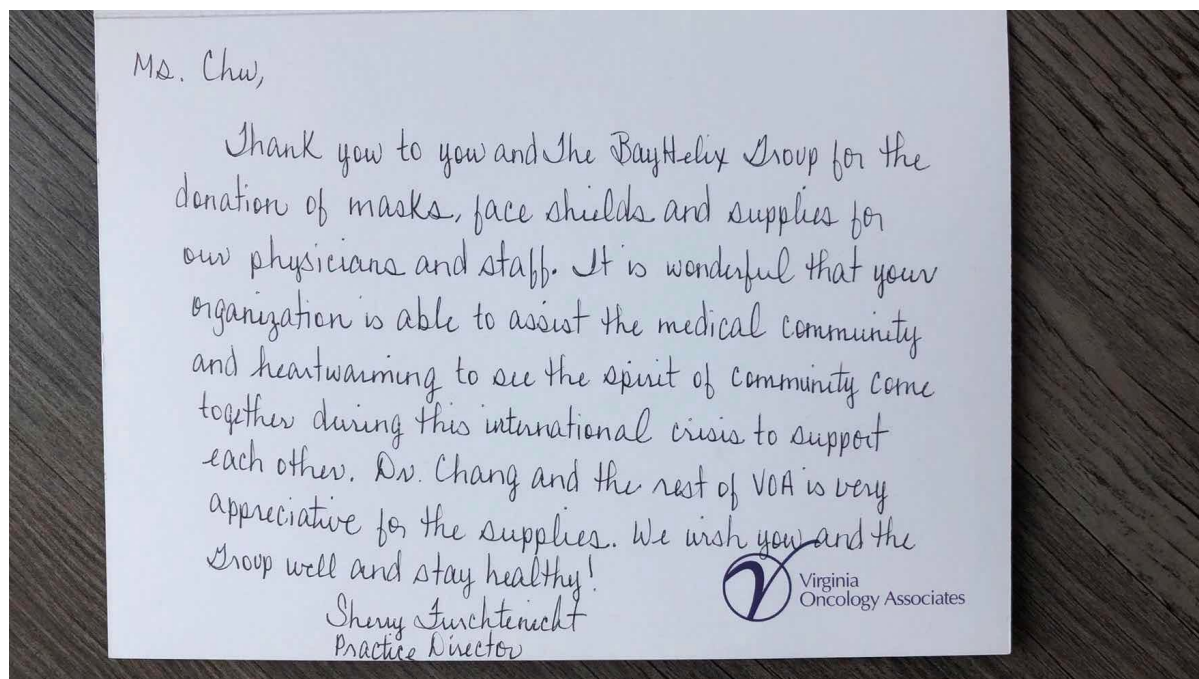


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Primary affiliation of CAHON members who received PPEs

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 Buffalo Medical group
 Cancer Care Associates of York
 Cancer Center at Village Pointe Health Center
 Cape Fear Valley Health
 Charleston Area Medical Center
 Christus St Vincent Cancer Center
 City of Hope National Medical Center
 Emory Decatur Hospital
 Executive Director, Inc. (EDI)
 Fairview, University of Minnesota
 FCS Brooksville
 Florida Ear Nose Throat
 Greater Baltimore Medical Center
 Harbor-UCLA
 Harold Leever Cancer Center
 Hartford HealthCare Cancer Institute
 IU Health Central Indiana Cancer Centers
 Jackson Clinic
 Jacobi Medical Center
 Johns Hopkins Medicine
 Kahlert regional cancer center
 Long Island Jewish Medical Center
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 Mount Sinai Medical Center
 Multicare Deaconess Hospital
 New York Presbyterian Hospital
 New York Presbyterian Queens
 Northwell Health Cancer Institute

Northwest Oncology & Hematology
Northwestern Memorial Hospital
Parkview Cancer Institute
Parkview Medical Center
Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School
Seidman Cancer Center
St. Mary's Regional Medical Center
Stony Brook University Hospital
SVMC Cancer Care
Swedish Cancer Institute
Swedish Medical Center
University of Michigan Hospital, St Joseph Mercer Hospital in Ann Arbor
University Hospitals Geauga Medical Center
University of Nebraska Medical Center
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UMPC)
UPMC Division of Hem Onc
UPMC Western Maryland
UT Tyler Medical Center
VA Boston and Harvard Medical School
VA Medical Center, NJ
VA New Jersey Healthcare System
Virginia Oncology Associates
West Cancer Center
Westchester Medical Center
Yale Division of Hem/Onc
Yale New Haven Hospital
Yale University

CAHON-Zenni Collaboration

Along with the successful collaboration on the “BayHelix-CAHON for US” PPE initiative, Zenni extended their own efforts to donate and distribute millions of dollars of protective masks and other PPE to hospitals, medical professionals and first responders fighting the COVID-19 pandemic in the US. On April 18, 2020, Zenni offered to donate additional protective gowns, masks, face shields and goggles to CAHON member physicians and affiliated hospitals and clinics in the hardest hit areas.

COVID-19 Resources

Lead by Yiwu Huang, CAHON members, including Wendy Wang, have assembled dozens of articles and resources to guide physicians during this unprecedented time. The resources can be accessed and downloaded from the members-only section of the CAHON website and include topics such as: Basic Science, Cancer-Care in COVID-19, Clinical Management Guidelines, Clinical Reports, Epidemiology, Ethics, Modeling & Forecasting and more. [CAHON members can sign in here](#) to access the resources.



COVID-19 Resources

Basic Science

- [A Genomic Perspective on the Origin and Emergence of SARS-Cov-2, Zhang, Cell.pdf](#)
- [Genomic characterisation and epidemiology of 2019 novel corona](#)

Ethics

- [Facing Covid-19 in Italy — Ethical Front Line NEJM 20](#)
- [Fair Allocation of Scarce Medic](#)

Upcoming CAHON Events

CAHON is closely monitoring information and guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO) and state and local health agencies related to the novel coronavirus. At this time, all future CAHON events in 2020 are being reevaluated and some are being tentatively planned. The health and safety of attendees at CAHON events are top priorities. Please visit the CAHON website for the most up-to-date information about [CAHON events](#).



2020 Summer Semi-Annual Symposium and Reception during ASCO
has been cancelled



2020 New York Oncology Forum

Tentatively scheduled for October 24-25, 2020
Flushing, NY



2020 Winter Semi-Annual Symposium and Reception during ASH
Tentatively scheduled for December 6, 2020
The New Children's Museum, San Diego, CA

Membership Updates

Membership Totals – April 2020

Category	Current in Dues
Lifetime Regular	167
Lifetime Allied	37
Regular	25
Associate	19
Allied	4
Total	252

Welcome New Members (since 1.1.2020)

Regular Members

Yueming Chang, MD

St. Mary Hospital Oncology
Farmington, CT

Gary Lu, MD, PhD

St. Luke's University Health Network
Nazareth, PA

Danyu Sun, MD, PhD

Levine Cancer Institute/Atrium Health
Charlotte, NC

Xiaowen (Wendy) Wang, MD

Everett Clinic
Everett, WA

Chunzhi Xia, MD, PhD

Emory University
Decatur, GA

Renewal Notices

Renewal notices have started to be sent out to our Regular, Allied and Associate members. If you receive a notice, please take a moment to renew your membership. While dues are waived for Associate members, we do ask that you still take the time to log-in, update your member profile and renew your membership on the CAHON website. For Associate members who are no longer in training, there will be an opportunity to upgrade to a Regular or Allied membership during the renewal process.

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