

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

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Dear CAHON Members and Friends,

As CAHON switched its leadership team at the recent 2022 ASCO annual meeting, we wanted to express our sincere and deep gratitude for all of you to go through the journey with us, and for your help and support over the last two years. It has been absolutely a huge honor and privilege to serve our CAHON.

Even as the world undergoes this unprecedented tumult from COVID-19 pandemic, geopolitics, culture and military conflicts, CAHON has been doing extraordinary well over the last two years. The pandemic had prevented us from having in-person events, but we grow into a bigger and even more closely knitted and more professionally-operated community. Financially, our unrestricted net assets have increased significantly over the past two years.

CAHON has achieved tremendously owing to the dedication, passion and hard work behind the scenes of all the CAHON Board, Executive Committees, the administration staff led by Nichole Nikolic, CAHON friends and supporters, and particularly our CAHON members. In 2020, CAHON launched personal protective equipment (PPE) initiative and fundraising for both China and medical communities in the US during the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2021, CAHON published an open letter denouncing racial profiling at our flagship journal *Journal of Hematology & Oncology*. We also partnered with Society of Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC) and the Indo-American Cancer Association (IACA) in organizing a panel discussion on Asian Experience in Cancer Research. Furthermore, CAHON led the efforts in coordinating 33 other professional biomedical organizations and publishing an open letter as an advertisement at the journals *Science* and *Nature* condemning anti-Asia hate crime and racism. During this unprecedented challenging time, we have been steadyfast in promoting our CAHON missions with our CAHON's flagship annual events in virtual format, including summer (ASCO) and winter (ASH) symposiums, China Immuno-oncology Workshops, New York Oncology Forum and Community Oncology Forums.

CAHON is now under the new leadership team with the new President Dr. Bo Zhao and Board Chair Dr. Ruirong Yuan. CAHON is in great momentum and in great hands. We ask your continued strong support, and we are sure they will lead CAHON to an even brighter future.

Cheers,

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