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# HHS ASIAN AMERICAN/ PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH OBSERVANCE



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#### FINAL AGENDA | MAY 9, 2018

8:50 am - 9:00 am	National Anthem
9:00 am - 9:20 am	Dr. Lawrence Tabak (Deputy Director, NIH) Introduces Dr. Matthew Lin
9:20 am - 9:50 am	Dr. Matthew Lin (Director, HHS Office of Minority Health) Keynote
9:50 am - 10:00 am	FAPAC President Olivia Adrian
10:00 am - 10:10 am	Break
10:10 am - 10:40 am	Presentation by Ms. Holly Ham, Executive Director, White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders
10:40 am - 11:40 am	Panel Discussion: Envisioning Career Towards Science & Public Health, AAPI's Role in Public Service Panel Moderator: Mr. Tyrone Banks Panel Speakers: Dr. M. Chris Langub - CDC, Sally Lee - NIH NIGMS, Herb Wong - AHRQ, and Lei Zhang - FDA
11:40 am - 12:00 pm	Dr. Eliseo Perez-Stable (Director, NIMHD) Closing Remarks
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Networking and Refreshments

#### 2018 HHS AAPI HERITAGE MONTH OBSERVANCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Program Committee Co-Chair	Dr. Jue Chen (NIH)
Program Committee Co-Chair	Ms. Kyan Chuong (NIH)
Public Relations Committee Co-Chair	Dr. Adelaida Rosario (NIH)
Public Relations Committee Co-Chair	Dr. Joy Zhao
(NIH)	
Panel Moderator	Mr. Tyrone Banks (NIH EDI)
Panelist	Dr. M. Chris Langub (CDC)
Secretary	Dr. Tiandong Li (FAPAC HHS Parklawn)
Treasurer	Dr. Ting Dai (FAPAC HHS
Parklawn)	
APAO President	Mr. Jimmy Do (NIH)
Representative	LCDR Kelly Leong (FDA)
Representative	CDR Eric Zhou (USPHS APAOC)
Representative	CAPT Samuel Wu (HHS OMH)



#### **Federal Asian Pacific American Council**

# FAPAC

# Join the NIH Chapter



#### Who We Are

The Federal Asian Pacific American Council (FAPAC) was founded in 1985. It is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization representing the civilian and military Asian Pacific American (APA) employees in the Federal and District of Columbia governments.

FAPAC is organized exclusively for educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The primary purpose of FAPAC is to serve as an interagency association within the Federal and District of Columbia Governments, providing a focus for over thirty ethnically distinct groups originating from Asian and Pacific regions as recognized by the United States Bureau of the Census.

FAPAC is the oldest and largest AAPI affinity group for federally employed Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. FAPAC leadership training programs are designed for all Grades from GS-5 to SES.

#### **Our Mission**

FAPAC is an organization that promotes equal opportunity and cultural diversity for APAs within the Federal and District of Columbia governments. FAPAC encourages the participation and advancement of APAs in the Government work force.

#### Our Vision

FAPAC will be a nationally recognized organization that serves as a conduit through which the interests, issues and representation of Asian Pacific Americans in the Federal, State, County, City and District of Columbia governments are addressed. It will also promote partnerships with the public and private sectors in the community it serves.

#### Membership levels

- → Annual Regular Membership (Current Government Employee) - \$36.00 (USD)
- ⇒ <u>Lifetime Regular Membership</u> (Current Government Employee) - \$300.00 (USD)
- ⇒ Annual Associate Membership (Retirees & Non-Government) - \$24.00 (USD)
- ⇒ Lifetime Associate Membership (Retirees & Non-Government) - \$150.00 (USD)



To join FAPAC NIH Chapter, you must be an active FAPAC National member.

#### Please register at:

http://www.fapac.org/membership

Be sure to indicate FAPAC-NIH Chapter in your profile!

Email your questions to fapac.nih@gmail.com

"Networking and mentorship through FAPAC positively expanded my career horizon." - CDR Cathy Cai, member since 2016

#### NIH Asian and Pacific Islander Organization (APAO)



The Asian and Pacific American Organization (APAO) was formed on October 22, 1996 in a ceremony attended by NIH deputy director Dr. Ruth Kirschstein, and director of NIH's Office of Equal Opportunity, Naomi Churchill. APAO is the successor organization to the Asian/ Pacific Islander American advisory committee (AAAC). The latter worked under the auspices of OEO. Because of staffing and funding constraints at OEO, it was no longer feasible for it to support the AAAC. Therefore, at OEO's suggestion, AAAC was reorganized into an independent organization, APAO. Funding for APAO programs is provided by various NIH institutes. APAO's mission is to support the efforts and programs of NIH that promote equality and fairness in the workplace for all employees. All NIH employees are welcome to join the organization.



#### **FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter**

The FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter was formally chartered in Oct 2017. FAPAC HHS Parklawn was founded by employees from several agencies & offices under HHS. Those agencies include Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and Indian Health Service (HIS). FAPAC HHS Parklawn's primary goals are: 1. Provide resources for AAPI employees at Parklawn building for career advancement and leadership training opportunities. 2. Service as a valuable communication channel between AAPI

communities and agencies' HR departments to better support the federal government to recruit and maintain a diverse 21th century workforce.

President	Kelvin Xu
Vice President	Jacob Chang
Secretary	Dr. Tiandong L
Treasurer	Dr. Ting Dai



### The Asian Pacific American Officers Committee (APAOC) of the United States of Public Health Services (USPHS)

The APAOC was originally established in 1990 and charted in 1993. The APAOC is administered under the Office of Surgeon General and is one of four advisory groups of Minority Officers Liaison Council (MOLC). The MOLC provides advice and recommendations on minority issues to the Surgeon General of the U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS).

The APAOC is a diverse Asian Pacific American group, representing ancestral roots from many countries in Asia and Pacific Islands. We are unique, in that many of the APAOC members were born outside of these United States and immigrated into this country. We have become physicians, pharmacists, dentists, sanitarians, veterinarians, dietitians, therapists, nurses, scientists, engineers, and Health Services professions, all collectively working with the same set of core values to enhance the Commissioned Corps.

The APAOC is very proud of their history and heritages as part of the U.S Public Health Services. The APAOC has been intricately involved with the formation and establishment of the MOLC in support of all of the minority officers organizations.



PHOTO: Surgeon General VRAM Jerome Adams with new APAOC members at the Officer Basic Courses 100 Graduation Ceremony in Potomac, MD.



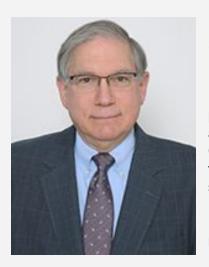
#### Association of Asian and Pacific Islander Employees of CDC/ATSDR (AAPIECA)

Over the past decades, the world has seen significant public health events and challenges, such as the SARS, Ebola and Zika outbreaks. CDC/ATSDR has experienced substantial growth and has continued and strengthened its leadership on global public health front. The Asian and Pacific Islander (API) employees at CDC/ATSDR has grown from approximately 400 FTEs or 5% of total FTEs in 2002 to approximately 1091, or 9% of the total FTEs in 2016. API employees are at every center in a wide range of professional occupations. The globalization of

public health and CDC/ATSDR's roles in the world, combined with the growth and technical proficiencies of API employees at the agency, present unique opportunities for developments and contributions from APIs in areas ranging from basic health science research to health equality. However, the diverse cultural backgrounds could also pose challenges and disadvantages at workplaces and in everyday life. Unfortunately, there is no shortage of such examples in recent American history. The Association of Asian and Pacific Islander Employees of CDC/ATSDR (AAPIECA) began its roots in this environment. On December 18, 2003, CDC/ATSDR officially recognized AAPIECA as an employee organization. Since its inception, our organization has dedicated its energy and resources towards building a more diverse work environment here at CDC/ATSDR.

Mission: The overarching mission of the organization is to serve as a network for CDC/ATSDR employees who are of API heritage or are interested in API cultures. Its specific purposes are:

- To address public health issues relevant to the needs of Asian/Pacific Islander Americans and to examine them in relation to other racial and ethnic health issues;
- To enhance recruitment, improve career development, provide professional support, mentoring and retention of Asian/Pacific Islander employees;
- To serve as a communication liaison between Asian/Pacific Islander employees and CDC/ATSDR management;
- To advocate for equal employment opportunities and other work-related issues for Asian/Pacific Islander employees;
- To promote a better understanding and appreciation of the diverse cultures of Asian/Pacific Islanders among CDC/ATSDR employees.



Dr. Lawrence A. Tabak Speaker

Dr. Tabak is the Principal Deputy Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Deputy Ethics Counselor of the Agency. He previously served as the Acting Principal Deputy Director of NIH (2009), and prior to that as Director of the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research from 2000-10. Dr. Tabak has provided leadership for numerous trans-NIH activities, including the NIH Roadmap effort to support team science, known as the NIH Common Fund; the NIH Director's initiative to enhance peer review; NIH's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act implementation; the NIH initiative to enhance rigor and reproducibility in research; and the NIH-Wide Strategic Plan.



Dr. Matthew Y.C. Lin Keynote Speaker

Dr. Matthew Y.C. Lin was appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary for Minority Health and Director of the Office of Minority Health (OMH) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on August 21, 2017. Under Dr. Lin's leadership, OMH oversees the implementation of the HHS Action Plan to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities and the National Partnership for Action to end health disparities. Dr. Lin also guides OMH's work on key HHS priorities, including addressing the opioid epidemic, childhood obesity and serious mental illness.



Ms. Olivia F. Adrian
Speaker

Ms. Olivia F. Adrian, FAPAC President for FY2017 – FY2019, a two year term starting Oct 1, 2016. She has been a member of the FAPAC National Board of Directors since 2005 as a Committee Chairs and a Lifetime Member. Prior to joining the FAPAC, Olivia Adrian was the winner of the FAPAC Individual Excellence Leadership Award presented during the National Conference held in San Francisco, California in 2004.



Ms. Holly Ham Speaker

Executive Director, White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Holly Ham was appointed on November 13, 2017 to the position of executive director of the White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI), housed in the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C. In this capacity, she is responsible for directing the efforts of the Initiative and of the Presidential Advisory Commission on AAPIs to advise federal agency leadership on the implementation and coordination of federal programs as they relate to AAPIs across executive departments and agencies.



Dr. Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable Speaker

Dr. Eliseo J. Pérez-Stable is the Director of the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). He oversees the Institute's \$289 million budget to advance the science of minority health and health disparities. Under this framework, the Institute conducts and supports research programs to advance knowledge and understanding of mechanisms to improve minority health, identifies and understands health disparities and develops effective interventions to reduce these disparities in community and clinical settings.



Mr. Tyrone Banks

Panel Moderator

Mr. Tyrone Banks is the principal strategist of the Asian American and Pacific Islander Portfolio at NIH. In his position he formulates strategies for recruitment, career development, and provides guidance on removal of barriers to equal employment for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. Mr. Banks' EEO career began in 1997 as a Program Analyst with the Office of Special Concerns, National Heart Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institutes of Health (NIH). His 30 years of government service, also includes serving as a Biologist with NHLBI's Pulmonary Branch. He is a co-founder of the NIH Federal Asian Pacific American Council (FAPAC).



Dr. M. Chris Langub

Panelist

Dr. M. Chris Langub is Chief of the Federal Advisory Committee Management Branch at MASO. He is also Chair, CDC/ATSDR Equal Employment Opportunity Advisory Council (EEOAC). He has worked for numerous CDC Centers in leading scientific and public health peer review panels which provide important advice to the Center Directors on the merits of extramural grants and cooperative agreements to support public health, and other community organizations and stakeholders that are interested in improving the health of their communities.



Sally Lee Panelist

Sally Lee was appointed executive officer of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences in 2007. In her position, Lee is in charge of the institute's administrative functions, including financial management, information technology, and management analysis. She also advises senior officials on administrative management issues and their implications for NIGMS scientific programs.



Dr. Herbert S. Wong Panelist

Dr. Herbert Wong is the Director of the Division of Markets and Systems Research in the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's (AHRQ) Center for Delivery, Organization, and Markets. In this role, he leads AHRQ's Comparative Health System Performance Initiative to study how health care delivery systems promote evidence-based practices in delivering care. Leading a professional research staff with diverse training, skills, and backgrounds, he provides strategic direction for research in the areas of markets and systems.



Dr. Lei Zhang Panelist

Dr. Lei Zhang is currently deputy director of the Office of Research and Standards (ORS), Office of Generic Drugs (OGD), at the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). ORS implements the GDUFA science and research commitments to ensure the therapeutic equivalence of generic drug products. She is an accomplished professional with more than 19 years of combined experiences in the areas of drug research, development and regulatory review and approval. Dr. Zhang has authored and co-authored numerous papers, book chapters, abstracts, and invited presentations in the areas of clinical pharmacology.



Mr. Kelvin H. Xu President, FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter

Mr. Kelvin Xu currently services as a Project Manager at Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) under Health and Human Services (HHS). Mr. Xu is an experienced engineer and a veteran. Prior to HRSA, Kelvin was an activity duty Civil Engineering Corp Officer at United States Navy since 2006, He was responsible for multi-million dollars construction projects for military facilities, and piers. After honorable discharged from Navy in 2010, Kelvin started to work at Navy Cyber Command as a senior enterprise engineer.



Mr. Jacob Chang
Vice President, FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter

Mr. Jacob Chang joined HRSA a year ago as an IT specialist with OIT's Collaboration Solution Branch. Prior to joining HRSA, he worked for Microsoft for over a year and spent 17 years with Hewlett Packard, where he started as a developer, then gradually, moved over to the systems side — managing applications on the back end, and doing installations, software integration, architecture design, migrations and trouble-shooting.



Dr. Tiandong Li Secretary, FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter

Dr. Tiandong Li is a Statistician at the National Center of Health Workforce Analysis (NCHWA) in the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). His work is centered around estimating supply and demand of the U.S. healthcare workforce, designing National Sample Survey of Registered Nurses and statistical modeling, researching diversity of U.S. nurse workforce, etc. Dr. Li was elected to serve as the Executive Secretary of the FAPAC HHS Parklawn chapter in 2017. Dr. Li also served as VP membership at the local chapter of Toastmaster club.



**Dr. Ting Dai** *Treasurer, FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter* 

Ting Dai, Ph.D., is an Information Technology Clearance Officer at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. In this position he provides leadership on Policy and Planning for information technology application, standardization, and investment tracking. He also leads a team to implement Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA). He serves as the Treasurer of the newly established FAPAC HHS Parklawn Chapter.



Dr. Xinzhi Zhang President, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Zhang received his medical degree from Peking Union Medical College in Beijing, China, in 1998. In 2003, he earned his Ph.D. in Health Services Administration from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Zhang is currently a Lieutenant Commander for the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, an elite group of public health leaders who respond to national health crises.



Dr. Zhongzhen Nie Vice President. FAPAC NIH

Dr. Zhongzhen Nie is a program director in the Division of Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biological Chemistry, where he administers research grants in ion channels, GAP junctions, structural and functional membrane proteins and lipids, and calcium signaling. Prior to joining NIGMS, he was an assistant professor in the Department of Urology at the University of Florida College of Medicine. Nie earned a Bachelor of Medicine from Wannan Medical College in China and a Ph.D. in molecular pharmacology from the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, where he also conducted postdoctoral research prior to a research fellowship in the NCI Laboratory of Cellular Oncology.



Mr. Starsky Cheng
Executive Secretary, FAPAC NIH

Mr. Starsky Cheng serves as a Management Analyst at the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD). Mr. Cheng joined NIMHD from the NIH Office of Human Resources where he served as NIH's telework and emergency tier designation coordinator. Prior to federal service, his career was in community nonprofits and education. He enjoys riding bicycles, reading, eating new foods, and attempting to grow veggies in a mini garden. And yes, he was named after the 1970's TV show.



Dr. Joy Liu Treasurer, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Joy Liu is a Program Officer working in the Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation under National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. Her work involves making funding recommendations, developing new scientific initiatives and managing basic and translational research grants in hematopoiesis, B cell development, skin immunology and innate immunity. Before joining extramural program, she had worked in NIAID intramural program for many years and had been an Assistant Professor at New Jersey Medical School. She currently serves as Treasurer of NIH FAPAC Chapter.



Dr. Jue Chen
Program Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Jue Chen received the Bachelor of Medicine Degree in Preventive Medicine in 2001 and Master Degree in Toxicology in 2004, from Fudan University, Shanghai, China. She obtained her Ph.D. degree in Pharmacology from Emory University in 2011 before joining in the Laboratory of Biochemistry in the Intramural Program of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). In May 2015, she joined the NHLBI extramural program as a program director in the Division of Cardiovascular Sciences (DCVS). Dr. Chen currently manages basic and preclinical research grants studying atherosclerosis in the Atherothrombosis and Coronary Artery Disease Branch of the DCVS in the NHLBI.



Dr. Trinh Ly Program Committee Senior Advisor, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Trinh Ly serves as co-director of the Clinical Trials Program at the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD). Dr. Ly oversees the extramural clinical trials program, supporting research in communication disorders, including behavioral, device, and therapeutic interventions. Dr. Ly joins the NIDCD after 14 years as a medical officer for the Division of AIDS, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (DAIDS/NIAID), National Institutes of Health.



Ms. Kyan Chuong
Program Committee Co-Chair, FAPACH NIH

Ms. Kyan Chuong is a web manager at the *All of Us* Research Program at the National Institutes of Health. She was previously the Digital Content Manager at the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities. She is a passionate introvert, chronic gallivanter, and perpetual student. In her free time, she indulges in impromptu escapades and volunteer activities.



Dr. Adelaida M. Rosario
Public Relations Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Adelaida M. Rosario studies the connections between behaviors and social and cultural determinants and how these factors affect health disparities for different minority communities. She has worked with Hispanic and Pacific Islander populations to study how these factors relate to early childhood development, mental health, risk behaviors, HIV/AIDS prevention, and substance abuse. Dr. Rosario has also explored the role of indigenous spiritual systems and how they may complement traditional healthcare systems.



Dr. Joy Zhao
Public Relations Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Zhao joined the NIBIB as a Research Fellow in 2008. She has been working in the intramural research's Laboratory of Cellular Imaging and Macromolecular Biophysics, Dynamics of Macromolecular Assembly Section on development of biophysical methodology for characterizing a variety of macromolecules, including proteins, nucleic acids, polymers and nanoparticles. Her current work has focused on applications of advanced techniques of biophysics and physical biochemistry, including sedimentation velocity and sedimentation equilibrium analytical ultracentrifugation, isothermal titration calorimetry, fluorescence spectroscopy and surface plasmon resonance biosensing.



Mr. Edgar Esmabe
Nomination & Election Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Mr. Edgar Esmabe works in the Budget Execution and Modeling Branch at the National Institutes of Health.



Dr. Chuan-Ming Li
Nomination & Election Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Chuan-Ming Li is a Statistician (Health/Medicine) at the Epidemiology and Statistics Program, Division of Scientific Programs, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD), and National Institutes of Health (NIH). Dr. Li performs analyses for epidemiological studies and reviews concept proposals for NIDCD clinical trials. Dr. Li currently holds the Financial Management Committee Chair, FAPAC.



Dr. Dar-Ning Kung
Affirmative Employment Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Dar-Ning Kung is Assistant Director for Information Assurance and Information Systems Security Officer (ISSO) at the National Library of Medicine. At the National Library of Medicine, Dr. Kung manages an institute-wide information security program, and supports and oversees the implementations of government required security controls on federal systems and information systems to safeguard information assurance and privacy.



Dr. Minkyung (Min) Song
Affirmative Employment Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Minkyung Song fosters, manages, oversees and analyzes the NCI portfolio on multidisciplinary, translational and clinical research grants and cooperative agreements. Dr. Song serves for the Cancer Moonshot Implementation Team for Blue Ribbon Panel Recommendation on the "Cancer Immunotherapy Translational Science Network." She currently serves as the NCI Program Contact for several funding opportunity announcements (FOAs), including three Cancer Moonshot FOAs, and trans-NIH FOAs for: extramural-intramural collaborative research at the NIH Clinical Center; and adverse drug reaction research.



Ms. Shu Yi (Cathy) Cai Membership Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

At the NIH, Cathy Cai has held several positions with her nursing training. As a study coordinator at the NIH Clinical Center, she met with study participants to explain the research study procedures, risks, benefits, and requirements before they sign the informed consent form to join the study. Currently, she serves as a Clinical Project Manager at NIH/NIAID/DMID extramural. In this position, she is a clinical subject matter expert for clinical research management and operations. She oversees and manages vaccine and drug clinical trials that are being conducted by non-profit and academia institutions that are funded by the NIH.



Ms. Phuong Tu-Le

Membership Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Ms. Phuong-Tu Le is a program analyst in the Division of Scientific Program at the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities. She joined NIH in 1994 and has been an active member of many trans-NIH committees including the Prevention Research Coordination Committee (2002 to 2012), the EDI/NIH Asian American and Pacific Islander Engagement Committee and the NIH APAO. She was chair of NIH Diversity Council, Special Event Sub-committee where she worked with other Council members to promote diversity within NIH (2009 -2014).



Dr. Raj Jatin Matta Constitution & Bylaws Committee, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Jatin Raj Matta is a Researcher/Associate investigator at NIH in the Biomedical and Metabolic Imaging Branch of NIDDK. Dr. Matta has extensive clinical experience in the field of Cardiology and Radiology along with diverse background in research, education, and management. He has a Masters in PA Studies from University of Nebraska Medical Center and a Doctorate from Nova Southeastern University. Additionally, he obtained special recognition in Primary Care as well as Surgical sub-specialties. He has co-authored numerous publications in highly regarded scientific journals. Prior to serving with the Constitution & Bylaws Committee with FAPAC NIH, he served a two-year term as Chair of the Membership Committee of FAPAC NIH.



CDR Eric Zhou
Ethics Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

CDR Eric Zhou received his Ph. D. and M. B. A. degrees from University of Rhode Island and University of Pittsburgh, respectively. He also completed the Key Executive Leadership Certificate Program at the American University. Prior to joining NIH, he was an Interdisciplinary Scientist at the FDA. He has been an APAOC voting member since 2013, and served as the Chair of the Leadership and Strategy Subcommittee (2013), Co-Chair of the Career Development Subcommittee (2014), and Minority Officers Liaison Council (MOLC) liaison (2015-2016), and Chair-Elect (2017).



Dr. Mary Zhang Ethics Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Mary Zhang joined NIH in 2007 and works at the National Cancer Institute. She works with clinical trials and new cancer therapeutic drug development. Before joining NIH, Dr. Zhang spent 10 more years in private industrial sector, working with FDA drug regulations, cGMP product quality control and quality assurance. As an Asian-American, Dr. Zhang is passionate about promoting culture diversities in NIH and community activity involvement. She has been an active member of NIH APAO for the past couple of years.



Dr. Xujing Wang
Award Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

As the program director for data science and computational biomodelling in the Division of Diabetes, Endocrinology, and Metabolic Diseases at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK), Dr. Xujing Wang manages a research portfolio of projects that develop methods and tools that enable the utilization of data science in, that utilize high-throughput (Big) data in, and that develop computational, or joint computational and laboratory approaches to model biological processes relevant to, diabetes and metabolic disease research, or any other area of disease or biology of relevance to the DEM mission.



Dr. Xin (Jean) Yuan
Award Committee Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

Dr. Jean(Xin) Yuan is the Scientific Review Officer at the Center for Scientific Review (CSR) at NIH. She oversees the review of applications in the Biomedical Computing and Healthcare Informatics areas. Dr. Yuan has training in Clinical Medicine and Computational Biology. She has worked at the Office of the Director at NIH, Georgetown University, and pharmaceutical industry where she played key role in bioinformatics tools development, genomics precision medicine, and clinical trial using pharmacogenomics in cardiovascular, cancer, and immunology therapeutic areas.



Dr. Jian Yang
Advisory Council Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

**Dr. Jian Yang** is a Scientific Review Officer, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK). He attained his Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University, Columbus. After completing postdoctoral training in the Brown-Goldstein laboratory at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, he joined in 2003 the faculty of University of South Alabama College of Medicine, where he established his own laboratory and research program, taught and mentored both medical and graduate students, and supervised a research group. In 2010, he was on a one-year sabbatical leave to work as a Visiting Scientist at NIDDK. For community and interagency outreach, Dr. Yang served as the founding President of FAPAC NIH from 2016-2017.



Captain Josef Rivero

Advisory Council Co-Chair, FAPAC NIH

CAPTAIN Josef F. Rivero is a Senior Physician Assistant and an Associate Investigator for the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. Prior to joining the NIH, CAPT Rivero served as an advanced oncology provider in the premiere cancer center for the Federal Bureau of Prisons. He served 20 years in the US Navy and US Army with deployment to Operation Iraqi Freedom as brigade medical officer. Recently he was deployed as a member of the Monrovia Medical Unit team One during the 2014 Ebola Crisis in Liberia. His past leadership roles include 2017 Health Services Professional Advisory Committee Chair, National

Commissioned Officers Association Board of Directors, President of North Carolina COA Chapter. He is the recipient of numerous awards.



Mr. Shen Zhong
Event Photographer, Photography Society of America

Mr. Shen Zhong received his medical degree from the School of Medicine at Wuhan University in China. He also received an M.S in Information Systems Management from Southeastern University. He is currently working in the Stanley Medical Research Institute as an Information Systems Manager. As an event photographer, Mr. Zhong has joined the enormous Chinese community organization event in the greater Washington area. His news photos are used by many U.S. and Chinese media outlets such as New Century Times, Washington Post, ACM, and the China News Photo Agency.