



NEWS RELEASE

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S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Joins Alzheimer Society of B.C. for Chinese Dementia Forum

Vancouver, B.C. – The Alzheimer Society of B.C. is proud to present an Update On Cognitive Impairment and Dementia with community partner S.U.C.C.E.S.S. Saturday, Jan. 4 from 9:30 a.m. to noon, at the Choi Hall at 28 West Pender Street in Vancouver. Dr. Roger Wong, a Clinical Professor in the Division of Geriatric Medicine in the Department of Medicine at UBC is the guest speaker at this event, for Alzheimer Awareness Month.

Speakers Dr. Roger Wong, S.U.C.C.E.S.S. CEO Queenie Choo and Alzheimer Society of B.C. Board Member Tony Yue will address the audience in Chinese. The Alzheimer Society of B.C.'s new CEO, Maria Howard, will also be in attendance and an interpreter will be present to translate any portion of the program that is delivered in English. Please note Choi Hall is a wheelchair accessible venue.

Chinese language education and support groups are available through the Vancouver and Richmond Alzheimer Resource Centres. For year round service in Chinese, please contact Vivian Lam at 604-687-8299 in Vancouver or 604-279-7120 in Richmond. Information resources in Chinese are available at both Chinese Alzheimer Resource Centres and online at www.alzheimerbc.org.

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Interviews

Vivian Lam, Support & Education Coordinator with the Society is available for Chinese and English interviews.

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About Dementia

Dementia is a term that describes a general group of brain disorders. Symptoms include the loss of memory, impaired judgment, and changes in behaviour and personality. Dementia is progressive, degenerative and eventually terminal. Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia accounting for almost two-thirds of dementias in Canada today.

About the Alzheimer Society of B.C.

The Alzheimer Society of B.C. provides a provincial network of support and education for families impacted by dementia and people concerned about memory loss. Communities across the province count on the Society for support services, information and education programs, advocacy to improve dementia care in B.C., and to fund research to find the causes and cures. As part of a national federation, the Society is a leading authority on the disease in Canada.



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