Mental illnesses have now overtaken cardiovascular disease as the biggest burden on China’s healthcare, and the country is currently lacking enough psychiatric health providers to accommodate the enormous patient population. Additionally, statistics have shown that Chinese-Americans have significantly lower diagnosis and treatment rates for mental disorders than those of other ethnicities. It is now imperative that healthcare providers in China and the U.S. be prepared to combat this disparity both in numbers and effective treatment solutions. This symposium will explore the roots of mental health challenges faced by the Chinese population in China, America, and the world. It will also create a local network for both mental health care and research collaboration. Food will be served.

Confirmed speakers include:
Sun Kim, PhD (UMass Boston)
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Amy Wachholtz, PhD (UMass Medical)
Kathy Niu, MD (UMass Medical)
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