

NYU Langone Medical Center Receives \$5 Million Gift from the Lui and Wan Foundation to Create Yung Hsia Women's Pavilion

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NYU Langone Medical Center announced today a \$5 million gift from Livia S. Wan, MD, professor of obstetrics and gynecology and director of the Division of Family Planning at NYU Langone, and her husband, Francis C. Lui.

Pledged through the Lui and Wan Foundation, the donation will be used to create the Yung Hsia Women's Pavilion in honor of their mothers, Mrs. Yen-Hsia Hsu Wan and Mrs. Kuei-Yung Ku Lui. The pavilion, located on the 13th floor of NYU Langone's Tisch Hospital, will be dedicated to women's services with a focus on obstetrical and gynecological care.

The Lui & Wan Foundation was co-founded in 2001 with the mission of supporting education, medical services and research. The Foundation has funded several other projects including the construction of the Wen-Hsian Medical Building, named after Dr. Wan's and Mr. Lui's respective fathers, at Jiao Tung University, one of the most prestigious universities in China.

"We are deeply grateful to Dr. Wan and Mr. Lui for their generosity and their investment in the future of our Medical Center," said Robert I. Grossman, MD, dean and CEO of NYU Langone Medical Center. "This gift is especially significant because it was provided by one of our very own esteemed faculty members. We value Dr. Wan's and Mr. Lui's commitment to our institution and to addressing the health care needs of women."

Born and raised in China, Dr. Wan came to the United States in 1958 after completing medical school at National Taiwan University Medical College. As a young girl, the tragic death of one of her brothers due to a lack of access to medical care made her determined to become a physician. The only female obstetrics and gynecology resident in her class at Philadelphia General Hospital and one of the first female obstetrics/gynecology residents in the United States in the 1960s, Dr. Wan is a true pioneer in her field. She joined the NYU School of Medicine faculty in 1969 and continues to be an active faculty member and the director of the Division of Family Planning, which was selected by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development as a site for the Contraceptive Clinical Trial Network.

Francis Liu, also a native of China, arrived in the United States in 1954, and received a master's degree in electrical engineering from City College of New York in 1964. He worked as an engineer/designer at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey until his retirement in 1989.

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