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Quadriplegic scientist flourishes at UH med school with helping hands https://t.co/IOjAvFDFLF (https://t.co/IOjAvFDFLF) 4 days ago (https://twitter.com/uhmed/status/1233666379464597504)

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10 MAR	CME: Mar 10-11 FunSim (Fundamental Simulation Instructional Methods) (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/cme-nov-5-6-funsim- fundamental-simulation-instructional-methods-3/) 03/10/2020
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13 MAR	CME: SimTiki SimBites Simulation Faculty Development (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/cme-simtiki-simbites-simulation-faculty- development-13/) 03/13/2020
16 MAR	Teacher Training Program (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/teacher-training-program/) 03/16/2020 - 03/19/2020
16 APR	April 16, 17: Annual Biomedical Sciences and Health Disparities Symposium (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/april-16-17-annual- biomedical-sciences-and-health-disparities-symposium/) 04/16/2020 - 04/17/2020
23 APR	CME: April 23-24 Fundamentals of Critical Care Support (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/cme-april-23-24-fundamentals-of-critical- care-support/) 04/23/2020
24 APR	CME: April 23-24 Fundamentals of Critical Care Support (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/cme-april-23-24-fundamentals-of-critical- care-support-2/) 04/24/2020
16 MAY	Saturday, May 16: UH JABSOM Commencement Class of 2020 (with instructional video) (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/saturday- may-16-commencement-class-of-2020/) 05/16/2020
17 MAY	Convocation 2020 at Kennedy Theatre 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/convocation-2020-at-kennedy-theatre- 900-am-to-1200-pm/) 05/17/2020
29 MAY	CME: SimTiki SimBites Simulation Faculty Development (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/cme-simtiki-simbites-simulation-faculty- development-14/) 05/29/2020
12 JUN	Pinnacle Women in Medicine Conference at Aulani (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/events/pinnacle-women-in-medicine-conference-at- aulani/) 06/12/2020 - 06/14/2020

OB-GYN: Dr. Santos Sharma Honors the Parents Who Insisted She Be Allowed to Go to School; Creating an Endowed Chair in OB-GYN (...

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OB-GYN: Dr. Santos Sharma Honors the Parents Who Insisted She Be Allowed to Go to School; Creating an Endowed Chair in OB-GYN (Video, Photo Gallery)

Date: August 29th, 2014 in Care (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/category/care-2/), Faculty (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/category/faculty/), Giving (https://jabsom.hawaii.edu/category/giving/) (http://www.printfriendly.com)



Pictured: Dr. Santosh Sharma, an OB-GYN pioneer for women

A generous gift has created the first endowed chair in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health (OB-Gyn) at the John A. Burns School of Medicine. The gift acknowledges the excellence of the department, and it comes from the heart. It is an investment in the University of Hawail medical school by Professor Emeritus Santosh Sharma, who has spent 35 years in the department, and still teaches when called upon.

The Lakshmi Devi and Devraj Sharma Endowed Chair in Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health is named after Dr. Sharma's parents, who went to sometimes extraordinary lengths to insist that their daughter be allowed to attend school as she was growing up in Kenya.

See more ceremony photos by Scott Nishi at UHMed Flickr (https://www.flickr.com/photos/uhmed/sets/72157646559163446/).

Watch the video:

Sharma Gift to O	B-GYN in 2014
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"Endowed Chairs are the hallmark of great universities," said Donna Vuchinich of the University of Hawaii Foundation, during a faculty lunch meeting announcing the endowment at OB-Gyn's main office at the Kapiolani Medical Center.



(http://jabsom.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/zalud.jpg) *Ivica Zalud, MD, Chair of OB/Gyn*

Video transcript:

Narrator: A quick working lunch has been called for MD residents and the faculty who teach them in OB-Gyn.

Donna Vuchinich, UH Foundation: "This new endowed chair in the department will help us achieve the next level of excellence for our programs and our community."

Faculty of the University of Hawaii's medical school help deliver on-third of the babies born in the state annually; many of those high-risk births.

Dean Jerris Hedges: "Nobody does it better. And we are truly proud that you are an important part of the John A. Burns School of Medicine."

Now, a gift by emeritus professor Santosh Sharma creates the department's first endowed chair.

Dean Jerris Hedges: "Dr. Sharma is making this gift in gratitude to her parents" for their commitment to her education as a young girl growing up in Kenya. The chair will be named the Lakshmi Devi and Devraj Sharma Endowed Chair at the John A. Burns School of Medicine."

Dr. Ivica Zalud, Chair of OB-Gyn: "Dr. Sharma, in the name of the department in the name of the medical school and myself, just a huge, huge thank you. Thank you." (Sound of applause.)

Dr. Sharma: "I'm grateful for all of you to come here during this busy time. Even if you didn't come I wouldn't have changed my mind!" (Laughter). "Once I decide to do something I always do it. I just want to share that I've been very fortunate, I had very loving parents who never said no to me for anything, I was able to do whatever I wanted to do and met very nice people on my way. Everybody gave me a piece of advice all along, especially in England, especially being the only female on the surgical unit, (about) how to get along with other people. One of the surgeons told me, 'everybody is not going to like you and you are not going to like everybody but your personality will be that you get along very well with everybody and achieve your goals'. So I always remember that I've been blessed. When I came to Hawaii my mind was my next stop would be either New Zealand or Australia, but fortunately I just loved this place and I loved the people over here, and I ended up staying much longer than I was intending to do that."



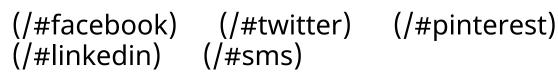
(http://jabsom.hawaii.edu/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/sharma.jpg) Dr. Santosh Sharma

Photographer: "One, two, three." (Shutter Sound) "Okay, thank you everybody."

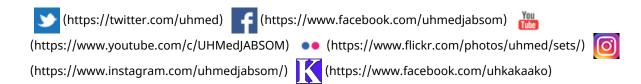
Generations to come will thank you, too, Dr. Sharma.

(Tape ends)

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