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ASIAN HEALTH SERVICES TO DEDICATE NEW DENTAL & WELLNESS CLINIC

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Friday, May 31, 2019 -- OAKLAND, Calif. – Asian Health Services (AHS) will be unveiling a new 4,000 square foot, state-of-the-art Dental and Wellness clinic **at 4 PM on May 31**st **at 190 11th Street Oakland, CA.** AHS' new Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Dental & Wellness Clinic is the first community dental clinic in California to provide integrated mental health screenings and referrals in addition to providing four dental specialties – endodontics, periodontics, oral surgery and pediatric dentistry.

"We are thrilled to dedicate the new Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation Dental and Wellness Clinic to carry on their legacy of caring. Our partnerships with the Federal Bureau of Primary Care, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, the Oakland Housing Authority, and EBALDC have come together to create a new model of Dental and Behavioral Health Services." said Sherry Hirota, AHS' Chief Executive Officer.

With the new Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Dental & Wellness Clinic, AHS will be able to provide comprehensive dental care services to over 6,000 low-income children and families. "This new, integrated dental and wellness clinic highlights AHS' pursuit of innovative approaches to better accommodate patient needs," stated Paula Pretlow, a trustee of the Weinberg Foundation. "The Foundation sees AHS as a model that other Federally Qualified Health Centers could emulate as they serve a low-income and vulnerable, largely immigrant, community with culturally appropriate health care."

"Our patients were faced with a 12-month waiting list for our dental care services. That is why we constructed this state-of-the-art dental clinic, with 7 exam rooms, 2 pediatric suites and 1 counseling room," said Dr. Huong Le, AHS' Chief Dental Officer. The new Dental Clinic was constructed in response to a rapidly growing need for dental care services in the community. "Because of the overwhelming generosity of our partners and donors, what was an idea, then a passion and a dream, is now a reality."

The dedication ceremony will include speakers such as Congresswoman Barbara Lee, Assemblymember Rob Bonta, Alameda County Board Supervisor Wilma Chan, Weinberg Foundation Trustee Paula Pretlow, Oakland Housing Authority Executive Director Eric Johnson, and Dr. Winston Wong of Kaiser Permanente.

For more information please visit: https://asianhealthservices.org/weinberg-dedication/

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About Asian Health Services

Founded in 1974, AHS is a community health center that provides primary, dental and behavioral health services to underserved families of Oakland and surrounding communities in English and 14 different Asian languages (American Sign Language, Arabic, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Khmer, Korean, Tagalog, Mien, Lao, Mongolian, Karen, Karenni, and Burmese). We currently serve more than 28,000 patients with medical, dental and behavioral providers, patient navigators, on-site interpreters, health coaches, perinatal counseling and labor coaches. We also advocate and empower our patients and our community through advocacy, education and community programs. As a nationally recognized community health center model, AHS stands at the forefront of quality and innovation. UPDATE