



Dear All,

Today, we had planned to celebrate the 16th annual A Taste of Ginger event to recognize 20 years of the Asian American Diabetes Initiative (AADI) at Joslin. It is sad that we had to cancel the 16th Taste of Ginger at the MFA. However, AADI is very active and working to help Asian Americans with diabetes locally and nationally.

Locally, the Asian Clinic is still very active and Drs. King, Hou and Ganda, Ms. Karen Lau, CDE and dietitian and Ms. Julia Li are using telehealth to communicate with our patients. Ms. Chihiro Sato is also active with outreach efforts in collaborations with the Mass. Department of Health regarding diabetes.

We are active on the web and nationally in the following way: Asian-American Diabetes Initiative (AADI); AADI with the help of Ms. Chihiro Sato, Karen Lau, Julia Li and Drs. Om Ganda and King have posted on Joslin web suggestions for increasing intensive lifestyle and medical care for people with diabetes, especially of Asian descent, in light of COVID-19 viral epidemic. This post is translated into Japanese (by Ms. Chihiro Sato), Korean (by Dr. Kyoungmin Park), Chinese (Traditional, by Ms. I-Hsien Wu, and Simplified by Dr. Qian Li), and soon in other Asian languages. In addition, it has links to many other articles or lectures on COVID-19 related to diabetes by leaders in diabetes from many Asian countries. In fact almost all the lecturers were previous Joslin fellows. This post will be sent to all health agencies, associations and community centers that serve or have predominate Asian-American followings in the US. Since AADI leads the largest coalition of AA organizations with focus on diabetes, this post will be read by and, hopefully, help many people.

I hope this gives you an update of [AADI activities](#) during this difficult time.

Stay well!

Best,
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