

Acupuncturist & Herbalist Research Institute of Hawai‘i 夏威夷中醫藥師針灸師科研學會

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Mission: To promote research on Chinese herbal medicine and acupuncture in Hawaii, to improve healthcare provision in the areas of Chinese herbal medicine and acupuncture, and to facilitate interchange between practitioners of Chinese traditional medicine and Western healthcare providers.

History: In 1981, Dr. Anna Li established a clinic at 1121 Nuuanu Avenue in Honolulu, called the Ta Sheng Tong, to provide treatment based on acupuncture and herbal medicine. In 1988, Dr. Li and a handful of her colleagues, all healthcare providers, established the Institute to give each other professional support, and to collaborate with their counterparts in the PRC, particularly in Guangdong and Beijing. The Institute was based at the clinic, which, in 1994, was renamed the Anna Li Clinic for Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture.



Examining a patient

Activities The Institute holds regular symposia that bring together researchers and practitioners of Chinese herbal medicine and acupuncture, for mutual benefit and sharing. Although members are in weekly contact in person or by telephone, about two formal events are organized each year, either locally or in coordination with Chinese healthcare organizations in California. Members travel together once a year to China to keep current on Chinese healthcare practices, and also regularly sponsor visiting specialists from China.



Dr. Anna Li (second from right) and her colleagues in discussion

Association presidents

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| 1989–91 | Kam Sang Chun 陳錦生 |
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| 1999–01 | Ruiling Jiang 姜瑞玲 |
| 2001–03 | Anna Li 李仲瑩 |

Membership:

Open to any Hawaii resident 18 years of age or older, with an interest in traditional Chinese health systems. Subject to approval by the Board of Directors. Members are eligible to vote or run for positions on the Board. Currently, the Institute has a membership roll of 12 active participants.