



San Francisco Hep B Free

First city in the U.S. to test and vaccinate all Asian and Pacific Islanders for hepatitis B

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Warriors Donate Portion of Asian Heritage Night Proceeds to SF Hep B Free

-Assemblywoman Fiona Ma to accept check during January 22 game-

WHAT: The Golden State Warriors will donate a portion of the proceeds from their Annual Asian Heritage Night on Friday January 22 to San Francisco Hep B Free - a citywide campaign to raise awareness of the importance of testing and vaccinating all Asian and Pacific Islanders for Hepatitis B. Assemblywoman Fiona Ma, honorary chairperson of the campaign who is chronically infected with hepatitis B, will be participating in a check presentation before the game. She will be accompanied by the campaign's community supporters who will be dressed in Asian ethnic attire to celebrate the team's Asian heritage night.

Approximately 1 in 10 Asian American Pacific Islanders (APIs) in San Francisco has an undiagnosed case of hepatitis B. San Francisco has the highest rate of liver cancer in the nation.

All attendees who purchase the special Asian Heritage Night tickets will receive a free commemorative Asian Heritage Night T-shirt. Tickets can still be purchased today at:

https://www.gs-warriors.com/forms/secure/fct_asianamerican10.html

To celebrate Asian Heritage, prior to the game, Chinese-Taiwanese-American Alice Tong will sing the national anthem. During half time, the Chergn Loong Lion Dance Troupe will perform an energetic routine.

WHO: **Assemblywoman Fiona Ma**, a chronic hep B patient
Community supporters of SF Hep B Free campaign

WHEN: Friday, January 22, 7:15pm

WHERE: Oracle Arena
7000 Coliseum Way
Oakland, CA

VISUALS: Colorful lion dance troupe during half time
Warriors check presentation with Assemblywoman Fiona Ma

CONTACT: Troy Corti: TACorti@gs-warriors.com or (510) 986-5408 by Thursday Jan. 21 at 3pm to obtain media credentials for the game and access to the court during the pre-game check presentation.

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ABOUT HBV: APIs are disproportionately impacted by Hepatitis B. It is a disease of the liver caused by HBV, a virus often called a "silent killer" because it can cause liver cancer, cirrhosis or liver failure without producing symptoms. Eighty percent of liver cancer in APIs is caused by HBV. But it's preventable with a simple vaccine.

ABOUT SF Hep B Free: SF Hep B Free (sfhepbfree.org) is a first-of-its-kind collaboration between city government, private healthcare and community organizations. The goal of the citywide campaign is to eradicate hepatitis B in San Francisco by screening, testing and vaccinating all API residents.