



# UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS HOSPITAL



**July 13, 2018**

**Dear USTH Alumni,**

It's time to come home! And it's time to re-engage!

For the first time, the University of Santo Tomas Hospital, the training institution where you once set foot either as an intern, resident or fellow, will hold a **Grand Alumni Homecoming of all graduates of the Residency and Fellowship training programs on October 13, 2018** (Saturday).

We shall be delighted to welcome back all of you and invite you once more to take the road back to your "old watering hole"- the UST Hospital, and reminisce old memories, renew old ties, and rejuvenate the Thomasian spirit.

We all know that the identity and character of our Alma Mater does not lie in its physical structure or technology, but in the very people who have once passed through its hallways, lived in it, served its patients, and completed their education and training inside its historic walls. You are among the close to 2,500 Thomasian physicians who once upon a time became a "House Staff" in one of the premiere training institutions in the country. It is for this reason that the Department of Medical Education and Research and the hospital administration find it worthwhile to bring back that **sense of belonging** and gather all the previous graduates of our programs in order to **reconnect** and **re-engage** as we look forward to a brighter future for the university hospital.

The hospital has gone through a lot of changes and challenges and amidst the continuously evolving landscape of healthcare and health education, we have managed to survive and meet the growing demands and expectations as a healthcare facility and as an academic institution. However, times have changed. With the increasing competition from government hospitals near us, we have seen a significant decline in the number of in-patients in our Clinical Division. In recent years, the hospital management has initiated an indigency program, the UST Hospital Outreach and Patient Education (UST HOPE) program in order to assist our less fortunate patients in terms of financial support for their medical and surgical interventions in the hospital. Such initiative has allowed many of our indigent patients to be treated in our institution, hence also supplementing the training and education of our clerks, interns, residents and fellows. **The proceeds of this Grand Alumni Homecoming will go to this indigency program.** The **price per ticket is 2,500 pesos**, which will include **registration** to the afternoon scientific symposium with CPD units, **Alumni Dinner** and registration to the **Grand Alumni Homecoming program**, a free **"Team USTH" shirt**, a **raffle stub** for prizes.

Let's all get together and return to an old training ground, where the knowledge, skill and wisdom that we obtained will forever be cherished. The date is on the 13<sup>th</sup> of October this year. The **Scientific Symposium** will be held from **1:00 PM – 5:00 PM at the Benavides Cancer Institute Auditorium**, 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the UST Hospital. This will be followed by the **Thanksgiving Mass at 5:00 PM**. The **Grand Alumni Homecoming** will be at the **Buenaventura G. Paredes OP (BGPOP) Building** and will start at **6:00 PM**. Save the date so we can relive the memories and keep track of each other. Let us give back to our Alma Mater.

Because of limited slots, registration is on a first come first served basis. For inquiries and reservations, please call Department of Medical Education and Research (DMER) office at 731-3001 local 2246 or email [dmer@usthospital.com.ph](mailto:dmer@usthospital.com.ph) registration may also be done online at [www.usthospital.com.ph](http://www.usthospital.com.ph)

Thomasian Physician, it's time to come home!

**Marcellus Francis L. Ramirez, MD**

Chair, Department of Medical Education and Research

**Eduardo Vicente S. Caguioa, MD**

Medical Director



# University of Santo Tomas Hospital Alumni Afternoon Scientific Symposium

## Is there Thomasian Doctor on Board?

*Issues in Travel Medicine for the Patient and the Physician*



## ***SAVE THE DATE!***

***The 1<sup>st</sup> Alumni Homecoming of  
the Graduates of the USTH***

***Residency and Fellowship Programs***

**Afternoon Scientific Session**

## ***“Is there a Thomasian Doctor on Board?”***

***Issues in Travel Medicine for the Patient and the Physician***

***Benavides Cancer Institute Auditorium***

**9:00 a.m. - 12:00 n.n. - Challenge the Thomasian MDs of the Team USTH Gameshow**

**1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Scientific Symposium**

**5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Thanksgiving Mass**

***Buenaventura G. Paredes O.P. (BGPOP) Building***

**6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. - Grand Alumni Home Coming**

### SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM TOPICS

The Multidisciplinary Health Issues in Travel Medicine: What to Advise the Travelling Patient with a Specific Condition

Cardiovascular Issues - the Travelling Cardiovascular Patient

Infectious Disease issues for the Tourist: Vaccines, infections, Traveller’s Diarrhea and other concerns

Endocrine and Metabolism issues - The Travelling Diabetic Patient and the Metabolic Issues of Different Cuisines Across the Globe

Obstetrics issues - The Pregnant Passenger and the Vulnerable Female Traveler

Pediatric issues - Travelling with Children: Issues for the Parent Patient of the Child Patient

Surgical issues - Surgical and Trauma Emergencies during Travel, First aid, and Disaster Readiness

The Legal Implications of Being “The Doctor on Board”: Physicians Responding to Emergencies While In Flight

Travelling Tips for the Busy Physician

To Travel is to Live: The Travelling Thomasian Physician Across the Globe