

The Center for Asia Health Equity at the University of Chicago Medicine and our community partner, the Asian Health Coalition condemn the senseless and violent acts against individuals of Asian descent all over the world. The recent events in the United States are a reminder that hate, and xenophobic behavior has infiltrated our beloved country and we must all take a stand together to eradicate these social diseases.

We stand, in support of our United States President Joseph R. Biden, Jr in the [Presidential Memorandum](#) signed to disavow discrimination against Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (AANHPIs) on January 26, 2021.

We stand, in complete unity with our local community-based and social services partner organizations that are the arms that receive the socially and racially wounded when discrimination goes unchecked.

We stand, in recognition of the need for more social, cultural, and linguistic adaptations of competency education that supports the ability of our workforce to meet the health and social service needs of everyone in our country no matter their status.

We stand, in support of those healthcare and frontline workers especially those of Asian descent who face daily the threat of violence and racial slurs as they cross the lines into their workplaces, and near their homes and businesses.

We stand, for those Asian Americans and all who are physically and linguistically isolated because of this Covid-19 pandemic, that they will be strong and have hearts of resiliency that characterizes the heritage from which each person descends.

The Center for Asia Health Equity at the University of Chicago Medicine and our community partner, the Asian Health Coalition, are strong advocates for human equality and health equity and we condemn any form of racism, discrimination, and violence.

At his very hour we are in a battle for the soul of America in our Nation's great Capital.

We call on communities and neighborhoods across the country to join arms as we walk in lockstep to challenge the status quo and emerge on the other side not only as educators but as those who have been educated by intolerance.

Additional resources: [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#), [World Health Organization](#), COVID -19 [FACTS](#).