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To: International Pediatric Transplant Association (IPTA)

Catherine Parker

IPTA 2023 Congress Secretariat

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Re: Christopher Chu, MD Travel Award

Dear Catherine,

It is my utmost pleasure to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Dr. Christopher Chu as he applies to the Young Investigator Scientific Award for IPTA 2023. Dr. Chu is a recipient of several honors and awards as evident by his exceptional CV.

Working here at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles (CHLA), I have supervised Dr. Chu for the past 4 years since he started his Gastroenterology fellowship training on July 1st.2019. He is currently our 4th. Year Advance Transplant Hepatology Fellow since July 1st. 2022. I have worked with him directly in our busy multi-tasked fellowship training programs (Gastroenterology, Advanced Liver Transplant Hepatology, and Intestinal Rehabilitation programs), both in the inpatient and outpatient services. Christopher is truly an outstanding, bright physician with outstanding clinical reasoning and procedural skills. With the guidance of our division and Keck USC School of Medicine mentors, Dr. Chu is currently working on several research and quality improvement projects, most importantly the one titled "Muscular Ultrasonography as a Measure of Malnutrition (MUMM) Study" under the supervision and direction of Dr. Norah Terrault

Dr. Chu is an outstanding leader and teacher, worked with residents and medical students, developing and delivering small group teaching sessions, including Journal Clubs, combined Gl/Surgery Journal Club.

Again, it has been a true pleasure working with Dr. Chu as he is an independent, caring, and compassionate physician. He has my full support for his award grant application

Sincerely,

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