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Foreword

Professor Robert Sigal
Chief Executive Officer



A few weeks ago, I was asked about the name of our Hospital. What is still American about the American Hospital of Paris? While we conversed, my interlocutor was surprised to discover how strong our special ties to the United States have remained over the years.

It was in fact the American community in Paris that founded the Hospital in 1906, a time when many Americans were living in the City of Light. Understandably, they wanted to receive care in their language, so they created their own Hospital, the American Hospital of Paris. In 1913, the U. S. Congress granted the Hospital federal status. Today, our Hospital is the largest American healthcare facility in France, and the majority of our Governors are American. All have a special connection to Paris and France; they live here all or part of the year, work here and volunteer in the governance of their Hospital. It's an enduring tradition that is incorporated into our bylaws and is a meaningful part of our history.

We are also connected through our accreditations. Like all hospitals in France, the American Hospital of Paris is certified by the *Haute Autorité de Santé* (HAS), the French health authority. Since 1954, we have also chosen to undergo the scrutiny of the Joint Commission in the United States. We are the only civilian Hospital outside of the United States to do so, and the only one in the world subject to this dual accreditation.

American doctors also work here, and we are the only hospital in France in which they are authorized to work without having to undergo French credentialing.

Lastly, we work closely with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, Weill Cornell Medicine and Columbia University, through training programs and regular exchanges of doctors, staff, technologies and innovations.

“Today, our Hospital is the largest American healthcare facility in France”

Because of our roots, partnerships, Governors, and doctors, we are the American Hospital of Paris, and we can offer our patients the best of French and American medicine.

To give an example, in the next few weeks, some operating room nurses will be going to NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital as part of a program to exchange best practices. We are definitely the **American** Hospital of Paris!

Enjoy your newsletter.

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From the Desire to Have a Baby to Giving Birth, Our Unique Expertise



The birth of a child is a special, emotional event. But sometimes pregnancy doesn't happen right away, in which case specific assistance and personalized care in safe conditions are required. For these reasons, the American Hospital of Paris offers its expertise to couples and supports them at every stage of their journey, from the desire to have a baby to the act of giving birth.



couples may be offered a consultation for specialized genetic screening, or with a geneticist in case of a particular medical condition, as well as a quick fertility checkup.

Unrivaled Expertise in Assisted Reproductive Technology

To address certain difficulties in conceiving, the American Hospital of Paris developed unrivaled expertise in assisted reproductive technology by creating one of the very first centers in France in 1984. The team pioneered several laboratory techniques, including the first births from intracytoplasmic sperm injection (ICSI) and the use of immature sperm extracted from the testes.

Besides offering an intimate Maternity Unit located centrally in the Hospital that is equipped with state-of-the-art technology and innovative diagnostic and testing services, the American Hospital of Paris has a Reproductive Medicine Unit, a Prenatal Diagnosis Center (PDC), and a Pediatrics Unit to take good care of future and current mothers and their babies, from the time they start planning a pregnancy to the first years of their child's life.

Supporting Pregnancy Plans

Based on a wealth of daily experiences with women, the American Hospital of Paris has introduced preconception consultations to offer them support as soon as they begin thinking about pregnancy. Assisted by a specialized medical team, women can have a clinical health assessment and related blood tests or imaging that are vital before a pregnancy. Women and their partners also receive specialized counseling, especially for preventive treatments before conception to avoid certain complications. At that time,

Male and female reproductive specialists offer care seven days a week to couples experiencing infertility, for various reasons (male, female, or a combination), and employ the latest techniques available.

The laboratory was completely reorganized in 2018 to welcome parents-to-be in a more comfortable setting with cutting-edge equipment for embryo culture. It has dual French and American accreditation, which guarantees couples optimal quality and safety.



True to the personalized, caring approach taken by the American Hospital of Paris, the same doctor follows a couple from start to finish and remains highly available. All biological and related medical testing necessary can be performed at the Hospital, thanks to our extensive range of high-performance diagnostic and testing services.

Among the 100 or so authorized reproductive medicine centers in France, the American Hospital of Paris ranks first in terms of volume of activity, with more than 3,000 cycles completed in 2018. The Hospital has made it possible for hundreds of couples to become parents.



Monitoring Future Mothers

As the mother-to-be's pregnancy advances, prenatal doctor visits and tests are prescribed to monitor her health condition and that of the growing baby.

To carry out this follow-up, the American Hospital of Paris' Prenatal Diagnosis Center (PDC) has latest-generation ultrasound scanners and leading practitioners who perform the prenatal screening ultrasounds recommended for all pregnancies and any diagnostic ultrasounds (such as specialized second-line ultrasounds and 3D or 4D volumetric ultrasounds) that may be necessary.

Since 2007, the PDC has also developed significant expertise in the first-trimester combined screening procedure called the One Day Test. It screens for trisomy 13 and 18, in addition to the risk of trisomy 21. The One Day Test is performed in a half day, in one location, and delivers results that same day. It also screens for other complications that can arise during pregnancy, including infections, hemorrhage or genetic diseases.



Based on the test results, other types of screening, such as a non-invasive prenatal maternal blood test, and diagnosis, such as a trophoblast biopsy or amniocentesis, may be recommended and can be performed at the Hospital. Since 2013, nearly 10,000 women have benefited from the team's expertise in non-invasive prenatal screening (using the fetal DNA in maternal blood), after consulting with a prenatal counselor.

Ensuring That Those First Moments of Life are a Unique and Memorable Experience

The birth of a child is one of life's most intense and emotional experiences. It can bring immeasurable joy, discovery and wonder, but also many questions and sometimes doubts. Always respectful of an individual's traditions and culture, the multidisciplinary team at the American Hospital of Paris listens attentively to future parents to help them during this special time.

Located at the heart of our multidisciplinary facility, the Maternity Unit of the American Hospital of Paris is unique and intimately sized,

with 15 individual rooms and suites. The women who give birth here enjoy optimal safety conditions thanks to direct access to all of the Hospital's services, state-of-the-art equipment and a range of innovative diagnostic and testing services (an obstetrician on-site 24/7 and an emergency caesarian section room connected to the delivery rooms). Likewise, experienced pediatricians specialized in neonatology examine infants at least twice during their stay. The nursery

can also accommodate newborns that need continuous monitoring and greater care.

The Maternity Unit's medical and paramedical team pays careful attention to the physical and psychological health of mothers. They work according to common protocols and discuss cases at multidisciplinary staff meetings. Personalized support from a maternity coach (midwife) can be provided in order to offer each

woman guidance in her personal choices and answer her questions about pregnancy, childbirth and motherhood. In addition, future mothers may choose to benefit from an early prenatal interview - a special time to be listened to, to ask questions and request additional information - as well as help in thinking through their birth plans. Childbirth preparation classes are provided at the Hospital from the fifth month of pregnancy.

Future Parents Need Your Help



hopes to acquire two innovative incubators for its ART center in order to increase its number of pregnancies.

Dr. Frida Entezami, as a reproductive specialist at the American Hospital of Paris, what are the advantages of these innovative incubators?

Time-lapse incubators (Embryoscope Plus) make it possible for embryos to be cultured in optimal conditions, similar to those of a human body, without being removed for observation and evaluation. Each embryo is photographed inside the incubator as it grows. The resulting video makes it easier to accurately choose the embryo with the best potential for pregnancy.

Why is that especially important in an ART procedure?

Since the embryo does not have to be

removed from the incubator to observe its growth, there is no longer any disruption to its environment. In the most challenging cases - couples with a low probability of success, older couples, or couples having had several failed attempts, all of whom account for the majority of the procedures performed at the American Hospital of Paris - this can make a significant difference.

How can this technique help patients?

By making embryo culture more efficient, Embryoscope Plus optimizes the success rate, resulting in faster pregnancies for thousands of couples. By offering them the most innovative techniques, we can help couples achieve their dream of becoming parents.

HELP PEOPLE ACHIEVE THEIR DESIRE TO HAVE A CHILD

Help patients at the American Hospital of Paris **make their parenthood plans a reality** by giving them access to the most innovative technique for embryo culture. *To support this project, please see the form on page 17.*

Thank you for your generosity!



Acquisition of two time-lapse incubators (Embryoscope Plus)

€320,000

Schedule 2nd quarter 2019



Number of couples who benefit 1,400 / year

Information: maternity.american-hospital.org
Contact: info.maternity@ahparis.org



QUALITY

Patient Satisfaction

The excellent care delivered by its doctors and nursing teams and the high quality of its patient services, rooms and meals have made the American Hospital of Paris, once again, France's number-one health facility in terms of patient satisfaction. The American Hospital of Paris placed ahead all other French public and private facilities providing combined activities in medicine, surgery and obstetrics*, according to Scope Santé, an information website on healthcare quality and safety, run by the Haute Autorité de Santé.



*2018 data, for all patients hospitalized more than 48 hours at the American Hospital of Paris and who answered a survey administered by the Haute Autorité de Santé www.scopesante.fr



MODERNIZATION

Hospital Renovations

A few weeks ago, the American Hospital of Paris launched renovations in Building B rooms to offer patients even higher standards of safety and comfort. Forty-eight rooms will be successively transformed to feature a new design by Jean-Michel Wilmotte, new furniture and better thermal insulation. Every effort is being made to welcome our patients in the best possible way.

ORGANIZATION

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When a patient needs to be hospitalized, the Patient Information Service prepares the financial estimates based on the medical data provided by the doctors. In addition, a dedicated team caters to the specific needs of patients, depending on their nationality, social security or insurance coverage and even their condition, in the case of expectant mothers.

NATIONAL PATIENTS' UNIT

At the patient's request, this team's specialists can examine the patient's supplementary health insurance coverage to determine, in advance, the amount due after reimbursements from the French national healthcare system and from supplementary insurance providers. [National Patients' Unit informations.patients@ahparis.org](mailto:informations.patients@ahparis.org)

INTERNATIONAL PATIENTS' UNIT

Seeking treatment for a medical condition when you don't speak the language can be stressful. To address the needs of our international patients, we offer a wide range of services (arranging travel and transfers, organizing care, handling paperwork, etc.) in order to facilitate administrative and medical procedures. [International Patients' Unit intl.patient@ahparis.org](mailto:intl.patient@ahparis.org)

MATERNITY NAVIGATOR

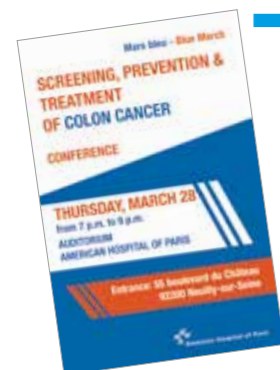
Our maternity advisor helps future parents with their administrative requirements. She is also available to inform future mothers who would like to learn about the birth-related services provided by the American Hospital of Paris. [Maternity Advisor info.maternity@ahparis.org](mailto:info.maternity@ahparis.org)



HUMANITARIANISM

MUSE Turns Ten!

Founded by the doctors and staff of the American Hospital of Paris, the humanitarian organization MUSE strives to improve medical care in countries with the greatest need. Through theoretical and practical instruction in medicine, surgery, obstetrics and nursing care, the main objective of volunteers is to transfer their expertise and techniques to the professionals in those countries, who can sustain that knowledge and, in turn, teach others. Since it was founded, MUSE has carried out several missions each year, at the request of the professionals and hospitals in countries in need.



Conference

March is the month to go blue for colorectal cancer awareness, and the American Hospital of Paris is holding an informative lecture open to all on Thursday, March 28 from 7 pm to 9 pm in the auditorium of the American Hospital of Paris. Come learn about screening for, preventing and treating colon cancer.

The entrance is at 55 boulevard du Château, 92200 Neuilly-sur-Seine.

CATERING

Our New Menus

At the Hospital, food contributes to a patient's well-being. That is why the American Hospital of Paris pays special attention to this aspect and frequently updates its meal offerings for in-patients and ambulatory patients, as well as all of the dining areas of the Hospital. Meals should be enjoyed, not only thanks to the quality of the food, but also the way it is presented. The American Hospital of Paris has entrusted its food service to Medirest, a specialist catering to healthcare establishments. Innovation is on every dinner menu, thanks to the *Terroir Parisien* dishes signed by three-starred chef Yannick Alléno, for an exceptional new bistronomic culinary identity!



A CONVERSATION WITH CHEF YANNICK ALLÉNO

What sparked your interest in hospital meals?

Eating should be a pleasure, even in hospitals, since being healthy is also a matter of diet. I believe that offering balanced meals, inspired by a person's eating habits, featuring seasonal recipes, appealing presentations and sophisticated flavors, is absolutely essential to ensure – or revive – the pleasure of eating, even when one is hospitalized. The American Hospital of Paris is equipped to prepare all meals on-site, and patients appreciate this difference.

What do you offer patients of the American Hospital of Paris?

Together with the Medirest team, trained by my staff several times a year, we create *Terroir Parisien* dishes that are seasonal, gourmet, audacious, well-balanced, and approved by the Hospital's dieticians. Our dishes are served to hospitalized patients every evening, and at lunchtime to ambulatory patients. Guests may also enjoy *Terroir Parisien* options at the Hospital's restaurant.



Sample lunch in ambulatory care:

- Rabbit rillettes
- Hake à la Parisienne
- Pineapple carpaccio



Sample evening meal:

- Beluga lentil caviar, blinis and nutmeg cream
- Fine whiting mousse, beurre blanc and chives, risotto-style pasta
- Cheese
- Pineapple carpaccio



Marshall I. Wais
Chairman of the
Board of Governors

Tax Time is a Time to be Generous

As you probably know, because of its status as an institution of public benefit since 1918, the American Hospital of Paris is authorized to receive donations under a very advantageous tax system. Your gifts are deductible from your income tax (IR) or your real estate wealth tax (IFI), if applicable. As a patron who uses our services and actively supports our Hospital, this is an opportunity for you to have your generosity encouraged and rewarded.

As explained in the previous issue of this newsletter, although the French government recently adopted new tax rules, your tax incentives for giving have been maintained. Nothing changes for you. For every donation to the American Hospital of Paris in 2019, 66% can be deducted from your IR, or 75% from your IFI.

So, if you will owe IFI tax and want to take advantage of this tax opportunity, now is the right time.

Since your declaration of assets is linked to your income tax return, you still have a few weeks to donate all or some of your tax to our Hospital. This year, your IFI-related donations will help us finance a program we care deeply about: offering a complete range of free support care to our breast cancer patients. You can therefore do a very

worthwhile deed and show your support by redirecting your tax money to our future *Wellness Lab* (see page 14). This pilot project is crucial, because we plan to expand the program very soon to all oncology patients, to offer better support to each patient on the road to recovery.

“You can therefore do a very worthwhile deed and show your support by redirecting your tax money to our future *Wellness Lab*”

The *Wellness Lab* has already caught the enthusiastic interest of some of our patrons, such as The Danny Kaye and Sylvia Fine Kaye Foundation, which we highlight this month on page 12. I hope that many of you will follow in their footsteps!

Thank you for your essential presence by our side and for your commitment to projects to keep on improving how we care for your health.



PREVENTION

The Women's Risk Institute is Growing

The American Hospital of Paris offers an innovative risk prediction and prevention program that is unprecedented in the field of breast cancer. Using an artificial intelligence algorithm (MammoRisk), it assesses each woman's individual risk of developing breast cancer, so that an appropriate screening strategy and targeted prevention program can be proposed.

Since January 2019, the program has expanded, thanks to our donors' support. The check-up now includes a genetic test that examines 77 genes, supplementing the data analyzed by MammoRisk and making risk prediction even more accurate.

In April, we will offer at-risk patients a comprehensive, custom program that covers exercise, nutrition and coaching, to help patients manage stress and lifestyle changes. These are the three key components of cancer prevention.

Finally, we are working on a research program to expand our cardiology screening. A brand-new software program will allow us to use mammography to visually inspect the breast arteries for any calcifications that could indicate the same in coronary arteries, which could cause heart problems.

"The Women's Risk Institute made breast cancer its first priority. Soon, it will add cardiology, in checkups specifically designed for women. Our goal is to assess the overall health risks for each woman, helping to improve women's health."

Dr. Mahasti Saghatchian, medical oncologist and manager of the Women's Risk Institute.



INTERNATIONAL

Stronger Transatlantic Cooperation

Bringing the best French and American medical practices together in Paris to continuously improve quality of care: this is the primary mission of the American Hospital of Paris.

With that goal in mind, in 2018 we significantly reinforced our scientific, medical and university exchanges with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH), Weill-Cornell Medicine (WCM) and Columbia University. We will further step up cooperation in 2019, with Professor Samuel H. Selesnick, ORL professor of surgery at WCM and Visiting Physician in Residence at the American Hospital of Paris, who is helping our Hospital expand its relationships with North American establishments.

Teaching

The American Hospital of Paris will soon welcome six 4th-year American medical students for 4- to 6-week rotations, helping to develop a network of future American doctors familiar with our Hospital.

Exchanging Best Practices

In 2018, Hospital's doctors and surgeons participated in working sessions with their New York colleagues, particularly on breast cancer, obstetrics and assisted reproductive technology. These sessions will expand to include other clinical fields in the coming months. In addition, six nurses from the Hospital will soon travel to NYPH for a two-week training program focusing on the operating room.

Scientific and Medical Conference

The first *Harvey Cushing Medical Conference* – named after the father of neurosurgery who volunteered at the American Hospital of Paris during World War I – will take place on June 11, 2019 and focus on artificial intelligence and imagery. The annual conference is being organized in partnership with NYPH, WCM, Columbia University, the French-American Foundation and the Université Paris V, and will gather leading Franco-American experts to speak at the American Hospital of Paris.

These medical, scientific and university exchanges and events are financed by numerous donors in France and the United States, including the American Hospital of Paris Foundation, The Florence Gould Foundation, and The Starr Foundation.



From L to R:
 Prof. Robert Sigal, CEO of the American Hospital of Paris
 Augustine M.K. Choi, MD, Dean of WCM
 Prof. Gérard Friedlander, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at Paris Descartes (Paris V)
 Prof. Samuel H. Selesnick, ORL Professor of Surgery at WCM and Visiting Physician in Residence at the American Hospital of Paris
 Madelon Finkel, PhD, Director of the Office of Global Health Education at WCM
 Prof. Arnold Munnich, pediatrician and geneticist, founder of Institut Imagine, Strategic Health Advisor to the American Hospital of Paris

HISTORY

The Role of the American Hospital of Paris in 1939-45



To prepare for the 75th anniversary celebrations of the Allied Landing and the Liberation of Paris, the American Hospital of Paris has undertaken a major retrospective of its role during WWII, similar to our project in 2017 around WWI.

Once again, John Crawford, Vice Chairman of the American Hospital of Paris, will head this historic project, which will be entirely financed by private donations.

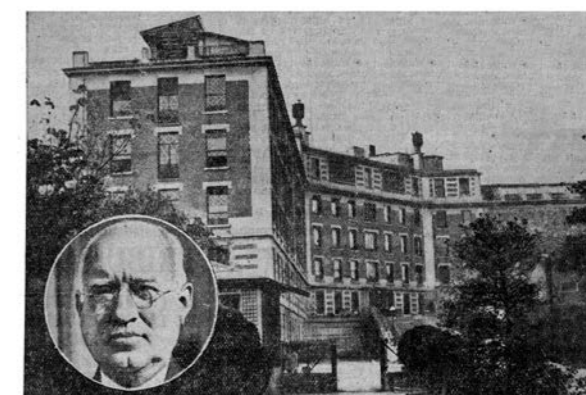
For six months, a team of researchers, led by the American historian Jennifer Rodgers, will travel throughout Europe and the United States to look through numerous archives and reconstruct the history of our Hospital during the conflict.

Just as in 1914, the American Hospital of Paris offered its services to France to care for wounded soldiers when war was declared on September 3, 1939. And, as in 1914, American patrons and volunteers mobilized to finance the Hospital and keep it in operation. Throughout the war, ambulance drivers, doctors and nurses transported, operated on and cared for thousands of wounded soldiers, prisoners and civilians.

In recognition of the services rendered, the American Hospital of Paris received the Army's citation and was decorated with the Croix de Guerre, the highest military honor in France.

Several events will be organized in 2019 during which the public will be able to learn about a new chapter in the history of the Hospital and its heroes.

L'HOPITAL AMÉRICAIN DE NEUILLY EST CITÉ A L'ORDRE DE L'ARMÉE



L'hôpital américain de Neuilly, que le général Huntziger, commandant en chef des forces terrestres, a cité à l'ordre de l'armée hier. — En médaillon M. E.-B. Close (chevalier de la Légion d'honneur), directeur de l'hôpital.



Dena Kaye, President of the Foundation, and Richard Fallin

The Danny Kaye & Sylvia Fine Kaye Foundation

With a €300,000 grant to the American Hospital of Paris towards the establishment of the *Wellness Lab*, The Danny Kaye and Sylvia Fine Kaye Foundation proudly continues its tradition of global philanthropy and honors the special relationship between America and France.

This foundation grant also reflects a philosophy of life that I absorbed growing up. Actually, I can't recall ever hearing the word "philanthropy" in our house, and yet, the credo of philanthropy defined and shaped my parents' outlook on the world. As it does mine to this day.

My father, the entertainer Danny Kaye, was UNICEF's first ambassador to the world's children. I can still sing the folksongs he taught me from Japan and South Africa. An untrained musician, he learned musical scores by ear and conducted orchestras worldwide, raising millions for musicians' pension funds.

My father's gift was simply himself.

My mother, song writer and producer, Sylvia Fine Kaye, focused on protecting the environment and supporting the arts. Her last gift through the foundation created the Kaye Playhouse at Hunter College in New York.

After my parents passed away, I became foundation president in 1991. Our grant recipients have included: French Heritage Society; a community park/Cairo; restoration of the Opera Comique foyer/Paris; Jazz@Lincoln Center/New York; schools, hospital and weaving facility/India; the Danny Kaye Theater at the Culinary Institute of America; the Arts Arena/Paris; Les Arts Florissants/William Christie; Baryshnikov Arts Center/New York; The Jewish Museum/Vienna; The International Women's Health Coalition; Natural Resources Defense Council, USA; Aspen Global Leadership Network/ Aspen Institute, Colorado.

We are a comparatively unconventional organization. We have neither an annual report, nor a mission statement. Instead, we operate on three basic principles.

1. We give money to people, not to causes. We do not write a check and disappear; our passion is following a project and building relationships. Therein lies the satisfaction. In this case, the vision, humanity -and humor- of Professor Robert Sigal and Dr. Mahasti Saghatichian were key factors.

2. We ask potential grantees for a wish list at different financial levels, rather than impose our own ideas that may not reflect their real needs. We love unsexy projects, i.e. providing the fire alarm system for a historic chateau open to the public (Vaux-le-Vicomte), as opposed to restoring a statue that might earn our name on a plaque.

3. We believe it's vital to help an organization help itself. Such a strategy promotes confidence and self-sufficiency. It is the reason we have structured this gift as a matching grant. The intention is to inspire and hopefully expand the donor base.

The *Wellness Lab* appeals to us because it encompasses the full spectrum of patient care. The breast cancer program under Dr. Saghatichian will combine traditional medical treatments with complementary disciplines, from acupuncture to exercise/massage/diet, and support for continuing one's life. The goal is helping patients to find equilibrium in their lives both during and long after the treatment is complete. It is a balanced approach that I try follow in my own life.

As generations of Americans before us, we who live in Paris want to contribute to the excellence of medical care at the AHP.

In that spirit, we look forward to the evolution of this program, exquisitely crafted with ardor, sensitivity, and intelligence, from vision to reality.

Dena Kaye
President, The Danny Kaye and Sylvia Fine Kaye Foundation

Our Team, Dedicated to Members and Donors of the American Hospital of Paris

You are among the more than 3,000 French and international donors who support our Hospital every year by becoming members or making a gift, providing us with the resources to grow.

Our Franco-American team of six people is always here for you to help you find the type of support that best suits your needs and interests: joining the membership program, making a donation to support a specific program, or a planned gift such as a bequest, a gift of stock or life insurance.

As your dedicated contacts in the Hospital, we are happy to assist you with your charitable giving and keep you informed on how the funds are being used. In March, our team expanded its estate planning expertise with the arrival of Civil Law Notary, Pierre-Henri Ollier.

When you next visit the American Hospital of Paris, please feel free to stop by and meet the team at the Development Office, located in the A Wing, level 1, near the main reception.



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Thank you for your generous support and trust.

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At the American Hospital of Paris, Your Real Estate Wealth Tax Can Help Breast Cancer Patients Feel Better and Get Better

Are you obliged to pay France's IFI (*Impôt sur la Fortune Immobilière*) tax on real estate wealth? Did you know that 75% of the amount of your gift to the American Hospital of Paris may be deducted from your IFI tax? This tax benefit is truly a valuable opportunity. The government is allowing you to freely choose where your tax money will go and how it will be used. This is a wonderful chance for you to show your support and appreciation of an institution of public benefit such as ours. This year, we are offering you a chance to use your IFI tax to aid women fighting breast cancer at the American Hospital of Paris by funding an essential project to help them feel better and get better: the *Wellness Lab*.



The *Wellness Lab*, A Support Care Pilot Lab

The American Hospital of Paris believes in practicing modern and integrative medicine that is not limited to therapeutic care. Today, medical and other scientific studies have proven that no matter what the disease or condition, it must be approached holistically in order to help patients heal. Breast cancer is no exception to this rule. We strive to provide our patients with a complete range of support services overseen by specialist professionals. These services or activities include psychological support, nutrition support, esthetic treatments, osteopathy, sophrology, relaxation, sports, art therapy, and back-to-work workshops. They are designed to significantly improve the daily lives and well-being of women dealing with breast cancer.

Your Generosity is Vital

The *Wellness Lab* is scheduled to open in June 2019 and illustrates our commitment to making our Hospital a recognized center of excellence in breast cancer care, not just in France but worldwide. The initial investment for this project is €1 million. Although this is a budget of considerable size, it means we can offer each of our patients personalized support, free of charge, for three months!

The American Hospital of Paris does not receive subsidies from either France or the United States. Only with your generous support are we able to carry out worthy projects such as this one and achieve the goals we have set for the Hospital.

Make Good Use of Your Tax Money: Donate it to Launch the *Wellness Lab*!

If you own non-professional real estate assets, such as primary and secondary residences, land, real-estate investments or rental property, valued at €1,300,000 net or more, you are liable to pay the French IFI tax on real estate wealth. France's Finance Bill for 2019 includes provisions enabling you to continue to deduct 75% of the amount of donations you make to the American Hospital of Paris before you file your tax return, up to a maximum deduction of €50,000. This is a chance for you to invest in a healthcare project that you care about, using money that you would have spent on tax anyway.

You can also optimize your gift by dividing the amount of your donation between the IFI tax and your income tax. For example, you could choose to split a €15,000 donation as follows:

- €10,000 to reduce your IFI tax by €7,500 (75% of €10,000)
- €5,000 to reduce your income tax by €3,300 (66% of €5,000)

Your IFI Gift to Launch the *Wellness Lab*



1. Calculate how much to donate based on your tax liability

In order to reduce your IFI tax bill to €0, calculate the amount to donate as follows:
My gift = amount of my IFI ÷ 0.75
Therefore, if you owe €3,000 in IFI tax, your donation to the American Hospital of Paris will be: $3,000 \div 0.75 = €4,000$. The maximum amount that can be deducted is €50,000.



2. Choose how to pay

- By check to the order of:
American Hospital of Paris
Please fill out the form on page 17 of this magazine and send it with your check to:
**American Hospital of Paris
Development Office
63 boulevard Victor Hugo
92202 Neuilly Cedex.**

- Online at www.american-hospital.org, "Support Us" tab. Make a secure gift online in seconds.



3. Your tax receipt

As soon as we receive your gift, we will send you a receipt for your donation which enables you to justify your entitlement to a tax deduction. You must attach it to your declaration of assets or carefully save it. The tax authorities may request it later.



4. Indicate the donation amount on your declaration of assets

Your declaration of assets must be filed at the same time as your income tax return, between April 10 and, for online declarations, May 21*, May 28*, or June 4*, depending on the department of your domicile in France.
(Paper declarations must be filed by May 16*, 2019.)

Consider making a gift before your reporting deadline.

* These are the deadlines published on January 31, 2019 by the French authorities. They are subject to change.

You don't owe any IFI tax on real estate wealth?
You can still support the launch of the *Wellness Lab* and deduct:

- 66% of your donation from your French income tax
- 60% of your donation can be deducted from your French company tax

If you are a US tax resident, we can issue a donation receipt enabling you to claim applicable tax advantages in the United States.

Please use the gift form on p. 17 if you wish to support this program.



Would you like to support the American Hospital of Paris?



CHOOSE HOW

1.

Become a member

Be part of the privileged circle of members of the American Hospital of Paris

- Your membership dues are a donation that enables you, each year, to participate in American Hospital of Paris development projects.
- Depending on the membership level you choose, you can receive exclusive benefits, which include a personalized membership card, a waiver of the deposit requirement for hospitalization, access to our exclusive supplemental health insurance plan, hours of free parking, among others.
- Your membership fee entitles you to a tax deduction.

To learn more about the membership program, go to www.american-hospital.org and click **Make a Gift**.

2.

Make a gift

Invest in your Hospital's medical, technological or construction projects

- You can choose to direct your support to a specific use or let our Hospital choose to dedicate it to a priority project.
- Your gift is essential in helping to carry out the investments planned by the American Hospital of Paris (clinical research, innovative treatments, latest-generation equipment, modernized facilities, etc.).
- The French and U. S. governments encourage charitable giving by offering tax deductions.

3.

Planned giving

Offer the excellence of the American Hospital of Paris to future generations

- You are wondering about the future of your estate and would like the people you love to benefit from the same medical excellence that you always found at your Hospital.
- You have a special attachment to your Hospital and want to ensure, when the time comes, that it continues to have the resources it needs to build its future and carry out its plans for innovation.
- To help you consider the issue carefully, our estate planning brochure is available to you. We will send it to you in complete confidentiality, with no obligation from you.

TAX BENEFITS

66% of the amount of your gift can be deducted directly from your income tax.

75% of the amount of your gift can be deducted directly from your IFI wealth tax.

- As a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, we can provide you with a receipt for U. S. tax purposes.

TO NOTE

- The American Hospital of Paris is a recognized foundation of public benefit. This means that our institution can receive bequests that are exempt from all inheritance tax.
- To thank you for your generous support, a recognition plaque may be dedicated to you.