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Neurosurgeons Announce Program for Physician Assistants

Top neurosurgeons **Dr. Edwin M. Chang** and **Dr. John S. Shiau** are proud to announce that they will be giving a free dinner presentation on Wednesday, September 23rd for local physician assistants and related clinical professionals. The presentation, which will accompany a free dinner for all clinical professionals interested, will begin at 6:30 PM. Those who would like to obtain further information are encouraged to RSVP as soon as possible as seating is limited.

The discussion will revolve around the ground-breaking treatment options available for back pain. A true visionary, Dr. Shiau has established himself as a leader and expert in the field of minimally invasive neurosurgery. In addition to having trained colleagues nationwide and abroad in spinal MIS techniques and cranial endoscopy, he has also performed more of these procedures than any physician in the metropolitan area. The remarkable and rapidly expanding MIS approach minimizes tissue trauma, lowers blood loss, lessens post-operative pain, shortens hospital stays and achieves results that are equal or superior to conventional techniques. Dr. Shiau will further explore and discuss these revolutionary methods during his presentation.

Chief of the Neurosurgical Departments at Staten Island University Hospital and Richmond University Medical Center and an NYPD Honorary Police Surgeon, Dr. Chang specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of all aspects of complex upper, mid and lower back pain. With over twenty years of private practice experience including comprehensive training in the MIS techniques, Dr. Chang is one of the Island's most referred to and respected specialists. In addition to these stellar credentials, Dr. Chang and Dr. Shiau along with **Dr. Anthony J.G. Alastra** were recently bestowed with the prestigious ranking of the **top 1 percent** for neurosurgery hospitals in the United States by U.S. News and World Report. All three physicians currently have appointments at Staten Island University Hospital.

In a series of programs presented by Healthcare Associates, our physicians aim to continue to provide the highest level of expertise and education for related clinical professionals. "As one of the top health care providers for New Yorkers, we aim to maintain an open dialogue with the local medical community," said Dr. Shiau. "By continuing this series of presentations we hope to expand the knowledge of potential treatments available." At Healthcare Associates in Medicine, we believe education and information are essential to enjoying a healthy and productive lifestyle. Our physicians and staff are dedicated to providing every patient with the appropriate care and treatment based on their personal condition. This is accomplished through coordination of service and by aggressively representing each patient's personal circumstances whereby their care is our primary concern.

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