

## 1<sup>st</sup> Asian American Mayor of La Mirada

**La Mirada, Calif. —** Meet Ed Eng, former Los Angeles Times publishing executive, who is married to Fil-Am Kathy Eng, a long-time schoolteacher. He has announced his debut as an author with the release of his first book, “The Accidental Mayor”: A Collection of Stories from the Side Streets of Chinatown to the Main Street of City Hall.”

“The Accidental Mayor” explores the Asian-American immigrant journey from the streets of Chinatown, Los Angeles, to the unexpected boardrooms of American politics and corporate bureaucracy. Ed retells stories from his early life – surviving gang violence through basketball and humor, to his experiences as an engineer, an executive, and a father that all led him to become the first Asian mayor of a city in Los Angeles County. The “Accidental Mayor” illustrates how difficult it is to immediately understand why things in life happen the way they do. Ed unpacks universal themes of perseverance, relationships, love, hardship and empathy to emphasize that only in



Ed Eng, Ph.D. (Organizational Leadership)

hindsight, does the opacity of our ups and downs become clearer.

Dr. Eng was the Mayor of La Mirada in 2017 and 2022. He’s a business professor, and a seasoned executive with 25+ years of diverse industry experience in government, media, consulting, and engineering. Previously, Dr. Eng was the Regional President of Los Angeles Times. During that time, he received the Innovator of the Year Award for his ethnic partnership strategy that catapulted the Times to become the largest metropolitan daily newspaper in the country.

His authentic style of leadership transcends

across the public sector where he is currently an elected Councilmember of a medium-sized city recognized by California as the 11th best financially managed municipality in California. Dr. Eng is a Certified Management Consultant and has served as an advisory Board Member for a Fortune 100 company and several startups.

Dr. Eng holds a doctorate in Organizational Leadership, an MBA, an MS, and a BS in Electrical Engineering. In conjunction with his academic work, Dr. Eng teaches Strategy and Management as an Adjunct Professor at several universities. *(Lydia V. Solis)*

## Public Health Expands Mpox Vaccine Availability; Vaccination Eligibility Criteria Removed

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) has removed all eligibility requirements for the mpox (monkeypox) vaccine, making it available to anyone needing protection against the disease without having to disclose any information on personal risk. While mpox cases have declined from their Summer 2022 peak, new cases are still reported each week in Los Angeles County.

Public Health continues to recommend that anyone at risk for or who is seeking additional protection from mpox be vaccinated.

The following groups remain at elevated risk for mpox and are encouraged to get vaccinated to protect against mpox infection and severe disease:

- Any man or transgender person who has sex with men or transgender persons
- Persons of any gender or sexual orientation who engage in commercial and/or transactional sex or have sex in association with a large public event
- Persons living with HIV, especially persons with uncontrolled or advanced HIV disease
- Persons who had skin-to-skin or intimate contact with someone with suspected or confirmed mpox, including those who have not yet been confirmed

by Public Health

- Sexual partners of people in any of the above groups
- People who anticipate being in any of the above groups

The JYNNEOS vaccine is approved for prevention of mpox. Evidence has shown the vaccine to be safe and provide strong protection against mpox disease. JYNNEOS is given as a two-dose vaccine series separated by at least 28 days and can be received either intradermally (under the skin) or subcutaneously (in the fatty tissue, typically around the upper arm muscle).

Residents seeking vaccine can get it from their healthcare provider, a public vaccinating site (free of charge), or may visit [Myturn.ca.gov](http://Myturn.ca.gov) to find other vaccinating sites near them.

If residents think they have mpox, they should speak with a provider and get tested. If residents do not have a provider, residents can call the Public Health Call Center for more information on monkeypox, including general information, testing, treatment, and vaccines at (833) 540-0473 (open 7 days a week 8 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.).

For more information, please visit: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/monkeypox/>

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communities, and our loved ones.”

### KEY NUMBERS:

- **MORE THAN \$1 BILLION INVESTED** since the beginning of the Newsom Administration to address the opioid crisis, with CalHHS investing \$450 Million in the current fiscal year.
- **28,765 POUNDS SEIZED** by law enforcement with support from the California National Guard in support of law enforcement during 2022, an estimated street value of more than \$230 Million and saving potentially hundreds of millions of lives according to the DEA.
- **594% INCREASE IN FENTANYL SEIZED** by law enforcement with help from the California National Guard compared to 2021.
- **166 NEW GUARD MEMBERS** hired, trained, and embedded by California’s National Guard to support the Governor’s initiative to reduce deadly fentanyl in communities.

**RECENT ACTION:** The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is making millions of dollars in grants available to address the ongoing opioid epidemic. Today, DHCS announced it will bolster efforts to raise awareness of the life-saving drug Naloxone by working with colleges and universities across California. On Tuesday, DHCS announced that millions of dollars in grants are available to help improve patient care in the areas of substance use disorder, opioid use disorder, and addictions. Last week, DHCS announced that millions of dollars in new grants were now available to tackle youth opioid use, including schools and other nonprofit organizations. In July, the state of California received more than \$100 million as part of the national opioid settlement with multiple major pharmaceutical companies. And as part of last year’s budget, Governor Newsom provided additional funding to increase the California National Guard’s capacity to combat the fentanyl crisis and support federal, state and local law enforcement counter-narcotic investigations and operations.

### If you think someone is overdosing, follow these steps:

- 1 Call 911 and give naloxone
- 2 Keep the person awake and breathing
- 3 Lay the person on their side to prevent choking
- 4 Stay with the person until 911 responders arrive



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