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CHINESE PHYSICIANS AND NURSE VISIT RESERVATION

Omaha, Nebraska (December 20, 2005) --- Three physicians and one nurse from China recently spent a month in Omaha, Nebraska to learn about the health care system in the United States. On one day of their experience, the individuals had the opportunity to visit the Omaha and Winnebago Native American Nations. During this experience, the visitors learned about the Indian Health Service and how it differs from the traditional health care system in the United States.

During the visit, Dr. Sophia Chao, PT, originally from Taiwan, provided interpretation explaining the service delivery at Winnebago Public Health Service Hospital. The visitors met several doctors and nurses who explained to them about the needs of the population. The visitors also got to visit with rehabilitation professionals to understand the impact occupational and physical therapy have on patient outcomes.

Dr. Keli Mu from the Department of Occupational Therapy and originally from China facilitated the visit and oriented the visitors about the history of the Native American people. Dr. Mu is a Faculty Associate for the Office of Interprofessional Scholarship, Service and Education. For more information on the Native American communities, visit <http://oisse.creighton.edu>.