 Posting for David Geffen School of Medicine Weekly Digest:

**JSEI AFFILIATES MAKE SURGERY BEARABLE SPONSORSHIP DRIVE CELEBRATES MOTHER’S DAY AND HEALTHY VISION MONTH**

The JSEI Affiliates, the volunteer arm of the Stein Eye Institute, will be on the Institute terrace **Wednesday, April 25, 2018** from **11:00am to 2:00pm** to celebrate Mother’s Day and Healthy Vision Month and share **FREE ice cream bars and baked treats** at their annual **Make Surgery Bearable** spring sponsorship event.

Volunteers will be available to share a treat and sell sponsorships for the organization’s **Make Surgery Bearable** program. **Marcia Lloyd**, JSEI Affiliates President, notes “the Affiliates provide plush Dr. Teddy bears and **Making Eye Surgery Bearable** books to every pediatric patient undergoing eye surgery at the Institute. The sponsorship cost is nominal – only $10 per bear – but both the bear and book go a long way to help a child feel secure during a scary time.”

For sponsorships purchased as a gift, the Affiliates will mail a special Mother’s Day acknowledgement card to the recipient notifying them that a donation was made in their honor. Lloyd added “a Dr. Teddy sponsorship is an inexpensive, yet thoughtful Mother’s Day gift. A win-win for both the donor and the pediatric patient who receives the cuddly teddy bear before their surgery.”

**What:** Ice Cream Break and Sponsorship Drive benefitting **Make Surgery Bearable**

**Where:** Stein Eye Institute Terrace, 100 Stein Plaza, UCLA

**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018

**Time:** 9:00 am – Noon

The Affiliates organization was established in 1990 as a broad-based volunteer network to support UCLA Stein Eye Institute (SEI) and provide outreach to the Greater Los Angeles community through vision education and patient services.

To learn more about the JSEI Affiliates or the **Make Surgery Bearable** program, visit us at [www.jseiaffiliates.org](http://www.jseiaffiliates.org) or “Follow” us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/JSEIAffiliates](http://www.facebook.com/JSEIAffiliates).