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Educator and clinician takes out top prize

One of Concord Hospital's most esteemed doctors has been awarded the coveted Pride of Concord Award for his outstanding contributions to patient care throughout the year.

Described as "an approachable, understanding, compassionate and empathetic clinician", Professor Lewis Chan has made an enormous contribution to the culture and standing of the hospital – attributes

which epitomise the Pride of Concord.

"I think it is a good principle to look after your patients in the same way that you would look after your family," Professor Chan said.

He has always been involved in undergraduate and post graduate teaching, and was recently appointed a professor of surgery by the University of Sydney.

"You need to be accessible to staff and patients. Even if I am busy, I am always happy to have a chat. My time does vary, but once you're in front of me, you're there until your problem is addressed," he said.

Serving as the Director of Prevocational Training for eight years and Chair of Concord General Clinical Training Council have been among his career highlights.

"I feel most proud of the work we've done with junior doctors and in collectively encouraging people in the department to see value in their academic work."

Along with a framed Concord medal and badge, he has been given a year of free coffee at the hospital, dinner for two at Firedoor restaurant in Surry Hills, and the opportunity to negotiate with the general manager for \$5000 towards professional development.



Pride of Concord winner Professor Lewis Chan with Concord Hospital's Acting General Manager, Steevie Chan.