



RESIDENTIAL CARE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH AIDS

April 20, 2010,

Dear Maitri Community,

It is with very conflicted feelings that I write this letter to you. I have informed the Board of Directors that I am resigning as the Executive Director of Maitri.

I will be leaving Maitri shortly after this year's BLISS event to work at the San Francisco Department of Public Health as their Director of Health at Home. The Health at Home agency provides health care services to San Francisco's most vulnerable communities, and its multi-disciplinary staff serves those in need by ensuring continuity of care from clinic visits or hospital stays to their homes. I hope to bring much of what I learned at Maitri to my new position.

This was an incredibly hard decision for me. It makes me emotional when I think about having to leave Maitri and the wonderful people that surround it. In my nine years of service, I have learned an immense amount about running a compassionate model of care, and I have also learned how to open my heart. The many men and woman that have called Maitri their home are a part of me forever. They have taught me countless times that the present moment is a precious gift. This experience has had, and will continue to have, a profound effect on my life.

I assure you that I will support this transition so that it is done in the best possible manner for Maitri. Former Board President Traci Teraoka will serve as the Interim Executive Director; she also served in this role prior to my tenure. At the same time, the Board of Directors is forming a search committee to find a permanent replacement, and will communicate the process and point of contact in the near future.

Each of you knows my passion and loyalty to Maitri. This will never change. I will continue to be an active part of the Maitri community as a donor and as a member of the Advisory Council. And I will always be honored to have been a small part of stewarding Maitri's mission.

Thank you so much for all your support during my years at Maitri. If you have any questions or just wish to chat, I can be reached at tpatriarca@maitrisf.org or tim.patriarca@gmail.com and 415.558.3001 or 415.867.5321.

Sincerely,

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Maitri