

# CAVU Update

## CAVU Selects First Investments

In May 2004, CAVU began working with Tufts—New England Medical Center (T-NEMC) to identify a menu of projects that spoke to CAVU's mission and vision of putting investor money and pro-bono resources to work to improve pediatric patient care. T-NEMC responded with an impressive array of 11 diverse projects.

We're excited to announce CAVU's support for the "Art for Health" and "Point of Care" projects!

Ivan Frantz, Chairman of Pediatrics at the Floating Hospital for Children, says of the first funding cycle, "Our relationship with CAVU is off to an exciting start and we look forward to exploring together opportunities to enhance the care that the Floating strives to deliver to every patient and their family."

[Click here to read more about CAVU's investments.](#)

## Leschly to Lead Discussion Series

How many opportunities do you have to step back, take stock and engage in a fresh dialogue about some of the prevailing issues in Healthcare with the leaders in your field? As a value-add to our existing and potential investors, CAVU is holding its first ever Healthcare Discussion Forum with a panel of luminaries moderated by Jan Leschly, former CEO of SmithKline Beecham.

The topic: "**Optimizing collaboration of Industry (Pharma/Biotech) and Provider Institutions -- what are the challenges and opportunities?**" A diverse group of leaders in their respective fields who understand the issues on-the-ground will lead this panel-style discussion.

[Click here to read more about CAVU's Discussion Series.](#)

## Taking an "Engaged Philanthropy" Approach

Mary Lantin is a consultant for Ernst and Young by day and the Engagement Director for CAVU in her precious "off hours". She's a shining example of a professional offering her expertise to increase CAVU's impact and the right person to talk about how Engagement Teams complement and strengthen CAVU's investments.

Mary comments, "In a similar fashion to Venture Capitalists that add talent to a company in order to improve the chance of a big success, CAVU looks to play an integral role in the success of its projects. CAVU will be developing its Engagement Teams and their approach to engagement during the course of each project. Engagement for CAVU is about finding a way to be a better partner in philanthropy with the institutions that it supports."

[Click here for of Mary's Q&A on Engagement Teams.](#)

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## CAVU Spotlight

Nick Leschly, CAVU's Chairman, shares his thoughts on CAVU ...

"As CAVU picks up speed its really exciting to see the potential for meaningful impact grow daily. At the heart of CAVU and a big reason for why Kris and I embarked on its creation, is the simple concept that a "little" can and should be able to go a long way if appropriately placed and managed. A theory only a few months ago but now after working with T-NEMC Floating Hospital For Children, CAVU has already begun to unveil many pockets of need that will soon be addressed with a "little" and most importantly pediatric patients and their families stand to gain!

Thanks to all for the support getting CAVU launched -- the potential to make a tangible difference is real and that's the CAVU goal!"