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IBM's Chief Public Health Officer to deliver keynote at DOCSF 2017 Supercomputing, Big Data and predictive outcomes to be discussed

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23, 2011 – [Dr. Kyu Rhee](#), MD, VP and Chief Health Officer for the [IBM's Watson Health Unit](#) will deliver the keynote speech at this year's [UCSF Digital Orthopaedic Conference San Francisco](#) (DOCSF).



Dr. Kyu Rhee

Dr. Rhee, who has both an M.D. and a Master's degree in public policy, will discuss [Cognitive Assistance](#), an evolving concept that partners supercomputers -- such as Watson -- with the human brain.

"We are thrilled to have such a role model and innovator lead a discussion on the future cognitive computing," said [Dr. Stefano Bini](#), Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at UCSF and founder of DOCSF. "Dr. Rhee will be addressing how current technology can quickly deliver insights using data on health care issues when they're most needed."

Dr. Rhee, who is also the Chief Health Officer for IBM's workforce, previously held leadership positions at the Health Resources and Services Administration and the National Institutes of Health. Prior to these positions, he served as the Chief Medical Officer for the Baltimore Medical System and worked as a primary care physician.

At DOCSF 2017, Dr. Rhee will describe some of the more salient applications of the Watson supercomputer in health care and orthopaedics, as well as discussing both the strengths and limits of the Human+Machine partnership.

"Ultimately, we're aiming to improve the health of the populations our clients serve, reduce waste, and find new ways to help personalize and predict outcomes," Rhee said recently in an interview with *Fortune*.

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