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Susan Samueli, Ph.D. Vice Chair

Susan was born and raised in San Fernando Valley, CA and received a B.S. in Mathematics from UC Berkeley in 1972. From 1972 to 1985 she was with IBM Corporation where she worked initially as a software programmer in the Federal Systems Division, Westlake Village, CA and then as a Systems Engineer in the National Marketing Division, Los Angeles, CA.

After leaving IBM in 1985, she developed keen interest in alternative health care and received a Ph.D. in nutrition from the American Holistic College of Nutrition in 1993 and a Diploma in Homeopathy from the British Institute of Homeopathy in 1994.

Susan relocated to Orange County in 1995 and has become very active in the community. She is co-founder of the Samueli Foundation, which makes grants to agencies working in the areas of health, social services, religion, education and the arts. She serves on the Board of the Orangewood Foundation and was the founder of 44 Women for Orangewood, an auxiliary that primarily raises money for teens emancipating from the foster care system. She also serves on the Board and Advisory Board of the Susan Samueli Center for Integrated Medicine (SSCIM) at UC Irvine.

She was honored with the UCI Medal in March 2000, was the 2002 Ellen Cooperman Angel Award Recipient given by the John Wayne Cancer Institute and she received the 2005 General William Lyon Crystal Vision Philanthropy Award given by Orangewood Foundation.