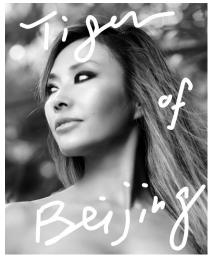
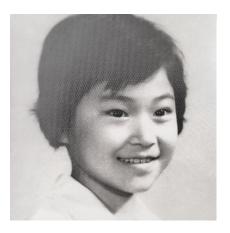
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#### Tiger of Beijing by Dr. Joy Kong

### GENRE | REFLECTIVE | INSPIRATIONAL | INSTRUCTIVE | CONVERSATIONAL MEMOIR | IMMIGRANT PERSPECTIVE





The Author at Age 7



Physician

Growing up in Beijing on a university campus during the turbulent 70's and 80's, fearless Joy's educator parents exposed her to an international worldview uncommon in China at the time. By age 18 her fearless and independent nature drove her to make a decision that would change everything: she would leave China to explore a life in America.

But Joy's visa was rejected. Surging with anger, Joy was determined to find a way out of the country through unconventional means. Taking on experimental and dangerous adventures in pursuit of a sponsor, Joy had her first romantic relationship that, intertwined with her ultimate goal, led to marriage as well as a successful way out of China and to the United States. The United States, however, was not as easy as she thought it would be.

Over the next twenty-five years, Joy would navigate innumerable roadblocks to discover her true love and passion: regenerative medicine. Founder of Chara Biologics in Los Angeles, California, Joy has dedicated her life to the research and development of cutting edge stem cell products and therapies.

### **Synopsis**

Tiger of Beijing is the inspirational, coming-of-age and coming-to-America memoir of regenerative medicine physician, Joy Kong. Set against the austere backdrop of the post-Tiananmen Square Incident in Beijing, China, young, adventurous Joy suffocates from the stifling control that the Chinese government has commandeered to rein in the lofty ambitions of university students like herself. Despite her effort to prove her worthiness, Joy realizes that the forces amassed against her dream to attend university in the United States are much greater than she anticipated and won't change.

If they won't, Joy decides, then I will.

And she does. Joy transforms herself into the Tiger of Beijing. and initiates a complex series of daring scenarios to beat the legal system at its own game in order to secure her exit visa. But she encounters just as many roadblocks at every turn. But she keeps angling for an opportunity, including a two-month stint as a tour guide in the treacherous mountains of Tibet, that would have discouraged most people.

It is, however, through a passionate love affair with a young American that Joy is able to leave China on a K-1 visa. However, she does not anticipate that she will enter into a nightmare in the New World. After putting up with a series of emotionally and physically abusive incidents, the Tiger of Beijing finds it necessary to use her claws once more.

## Joy Kong, MD

Joy Kong, M.D., is a UCLA-trained, triple board-certified physician (American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology, American Board of Addiction Medicine, and American Board of Anti-Aging & Regenerative Medicine). Of her many accomplishments in the field of regenerative medicine, the following are highlights:

- President of Thea Center for Regenerative Medicine in Los Angeles, California, where she specializes in stem cell treatments to improve the functions of diverse organ systems in the body, as well as for preventative and wellness purposes.
- Educator in the regenerative medicine arena, board member of American
   Association of Stem Cell Physicians, and founder of American Academy of
   Integrative Cell Therapy, where she provides physician training on the science,
   clinical evidence and diverse aspects of clinical practice of cell therapy.
- Developer of unique regenerative medicine products and treatment protocols.
- Faculty member of Medical Wellness Association, a leading global organization in health and wellness.
- Founder and CEO of Chara Biologics, a company dedicated to providing cuttingedge regenerative medicine products in the US and the global market, providing the most innovative and comprehensive stem cell products on the market.

As a proponent for high-quality, clinical research, Joy serves as co-founder and CEO of a stem cell research organization where she serves alongside other pioneers in the field. She is a firm believer in the therapeutic potentials of cell therapy, lectures both nationally and internationally on stem cell treatments, exchanges ideas with premier stem cell scientists around the globe, and works closely with various cell laboratories in the United States. Her main goal is to serve as a force of integrity, high standard and innovation in the industry, and to move the field of regenerative medicine forward.

Dr. Kong was recognized for her contribution to the field of stem cell therapy and awarded the "Top Doctor of the Year in Stem Cell Therapy of 2019" and the 2019 "Empowered Woman of the Year" by the prestigious IAOTP (International Association of Top Professionals).