## Promise of stem cells draws patients to un-licensed doctors with sometimes fatal effect

"If the doctor of a former president gave you the assurance that your daughter will be cured of cancer after three months of stem cell therapy, would you believe her?" Bernard Tan, entrepreneur and grieving father, posed the question Tuesday. Remaining mum about daughter Kate Tan's death in 2013, Bernard Tan finally decided to break his silence to expose his daughter's stem cell therapist, who is not a licensed physician.

Kate Tan, cum laude graduate and aspiring writer, underwent stem cell therapy under Antonia Park. Experts say her chemotherapy had no apparent role in the management of her cancer, Hodgkin lymphoma.

Antonia Park, who was in charge of her treatment, also provided her services to former Philippine president Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

During Kate Tan's graduation rites, she was too weak to go onstage and receive her medal. She passed away July last year at age 23.

Bernard Tan decided to tell her daughter's story, believing it can shed light on a trend that is plaguing many people desperate for a miracle cure.

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