



CHICAGO, April 13 -- Claude Ohanesian, Managing Director of Wealth Management at Smith Barney has been elected President of the not-for-profit Fatherhood Educational Institute, [fatherhood-edu.org](http://fatherhood-edu.org). He replaces past President, Dr. Hilary Cheng, a dentist in private practice.

Mr. Ohanesian has served 26 years with Smith Barney. He also sits on the board of directors and financial committee for Kobe College and has served on the guild board of the Chicago Botanic Garden and the board of trustees at the Armenian All Saints Church in Glenview.

The Fatherhood Educational Institute was founded by prominent matrimonial attorney and fathers' rights advocate Jeffery M. Leving ([dadsrights.com](http://dadsrights.com)) to promote the positive involvement of fathers in the lives of their children in poverty stricken communities.

"The Fatherhood Educational Institute is here to help fathers, and also children, families, and our communities. Children who don't have the presence of a responsible father in their lives are more likely to use drugs, exhibit violent behavior, and drop out of school. This organization is good for our society, and I am very pleased to be a part of it," said Claude Ohanesian.

To learn more about the Fatherhood Educational Institute, visit [Fatherhood-edu.org](http://Fatherhood-edu.org), or call 312-795-9060 to volunteer or make a donation.