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WAHIAWĀ HEALTH PHYSICIAN, DR. MARKO VASIC, ACHIEVES CERTIFIED HYPERTENSION CLINICIAN STATUS

Independent validation of expert knowledge of managing complex hypertension

WAHIAWĀ, **Hawai**'i – Wahiawā Health, a federally qualified health center, announced the achievement of Dr. Marko Vasic who was named a Certified Hypertension Clinician through the American Hypertension Specialist Certification Program.

As a Certified Hypertension Clinician, Dr. Vasic demonstrated mastery of a defined body of knowledge relating to hypertension and the management of clinical hypertension and related disorders, especially as it relates to complex and difficult to treat cases. This nationally recognized certification offers clinicians at the frontlines of diagnosing and treating hypertension an independent validation of their skills and expertise.

The American Hypertension Specialist Certification Program was formed in 1998 in response to the growing recognition that the hypertension problem requires the coordinated effort of frontline health care providers and those physicians with documented expertise in managing hypertension. For more information about the program, visit: www.ahscp.org.

"Dr. Vasic provides a vital role at Wahiawā Health with a vast knowledge in internal medicine as well as triple board certifications including the American Board of Internal Medicine, board certified in advanced diabetes management (BC-ADM) and board certified in Obesity Management through the American Board of Obesity Management," said Bev Harbin, Wahiawā Health CEO. "This valuable hypertension certification provides additional assurance to our patients that their high blood pressure management needs will be taken care of at Wahiawā Health by Dr. Vasic and our team of dedicated providers."

Vasic graduated from the Faculty of Medical Sciences at the University of Kragujevac in Serbia. He completed his internal medicine residency at Mercy Hospital and Medical Center in Chicago and his neurocritical care fellowship at the Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami.

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About Wahiawā Health

Wahiawā Health is a federally qualified health center that provides affordable, high-quality and accessible health care to the people of Wahiawā, Waialua, Mililani, Schofield, Kunia and surrounding areas. Wahiawā Health is located at 302 California Avenue, Suite 106, and is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Wahiawā Health offers a Diabetes Specialty Center that provides comprehensive medication management, diabetes self-management education and support, hypertension education, and blood pressure cuff training sessions. In addition, its Geriatric Specialty Center is dedicated to optimizing aging for older adults by promoting health and quality of life through comprehensive and individualized care.

To support patients with diabetes and chronic diseases, Wahiawā Health offers an in-house pharmacy for its patients that provides prescription accuracy, simplifies taking medications, convenience and medication delivery.

Wahiawā Health accepts most major insurance and provides a sliding-fee scale for uninsured patients. Staff members can assist patients with insurance enrollment.

For more information, and a full list of hours listed by services, visit: www.wahiawahealth.org or call (808) 622-1618,or email at info@wahiawahealth.org.