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**NEW LEADERSHIP FOR HAWAIIAN PHYSICIANS**

(Kaka'ako, Hawai'i) Dr. Dee-Ann Carpenter-Yoshino has been elected president of the board of directors of 'Ahahui o nā Kauka, the Association of Native Hawaiian Physicians. She replaces Dr. Kalani Brady.

Dr. Carpenter-Yoshino is an internal medicine specialist with a group practice in Wahiawā. She is an assistant professor with the Department of Native Hawaiian Health at the University of Hawai'i, and through its Native Hawaiian Center of Excellence, she recruits Hawaiian medical students.

Born to Dante and Olan Carpenter, Carpenter-Yoshino was raised in Nā'ālehu, graduated from St. Joseph's High School in Hilo, University of Hawai'i (BA), and UH John A. Burns School of Medicine. She is president and founder of Friends of 'Imi Ho'ola, and has served on the board of 'Ahahui o nā Kauka since 2002.

Other 2006 officers are Dr. Cedric K. Akau (vice-president), Dr. William R. Ahuna (secretary) and Dr. J. Kūhiō Asam (treasurer).

Five new members join the board in 2006: Drs. Asam, Wayne K. Fukino (Kaua'i), Richard Lee-Ching (Hawai'i), Nathan A.K. Wong and Gayland D.K. Yee (Maui).

Directors Dr. Kekuni Blaisdell and Dr. Noa Emmett Aluli (Moloka'i) are two founders of 'Ahahui o nā Kauka.

A roster of members and their specialties can be found at [www.kauka.org](http://www.kauka.org).

*'Ahahui o nā Kauka, founded in 1998, is the professional association of Native Hawaiian allopathic and osteopathic physicians. Its mission is to champion superior health and wellness for Native Hawaiians and their families.*