



West Kauai Medical Center

West Kauai Clinics

4643B Waimea Canyon Dr.
Waimea, HI 96796

PROVIDERS

Obstetrics & Gynecology

Dr. 'Su' Surachat Chatkupt (Waimea)
Dr. Graham Chelius (Waimea, Kapaa)

Internal Medicine

Dr. Linda Paul (Kalaheo)
Dr. Mitchell Jenkins (Port Allen)

General Surgery

Dr. Elisabeth Biuk (Waimea, Lihue, Kapaa)
Dr. Connie Lutkevich (Waimea, Kapaa)

Family Medicine

Dr. Anthony Dupree (Waimea)
Beverly Tumbaga, NP (Waimea)

Pediatrics

Dr. Bernard Riola (Waimea)
Dr. Carla Nelson (Port Allen)

Women's Health

Virginia Beck, NP, CTP (Waimea)

Hospital Based Physicians

Dr. Richard Lewan
Dr. Diane Noyes
Dr. Brigit Palathra
Dr. Steven Slagle

For Appointments call:

Waimea Clinic: **338-8311**
Port Allen Clinic: **335-0579**
Kalaheo Clinic: **332-8523**
Kapaa Clinic: 823-4157 (338-8311)



Fundraising

The **KVMH Charitable Foundation**, formed in 1998, has a charter to support the major needs of the hospital. The Foundation raises funds for equipment, patient care, staff programs and education, a building renovation and expansion. The members of the Foundation obtain funds through grants, community events and individual donations.

The **KVMH Auxiliary** is very active in raising funds for patient equipment, services, and other hospital needs. It runs the KVMH Gift Shop. Each year their Holiday Craft Fair & Raffle is a delight for the community, staff, residents, and visitors.

Please help continue the tradition of West Kauai health care services!

Both the Auxiliary and Foundation are in search of energetic individuals who are interested in becoming members of these organizations and mobilizing their campaigns for the future.

Contact us for more information on the KVMH Auxiliary and the KVMH Charitable Foundation.



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Excellence in Healthcare*

West Kauai Medical Center/KVMH

West Kauai's Critical Access Hospital
In Waimea, your full service Critical Access Hospital with services including:

- **24 hour Emergency Services,**
- **Family Birth Center,**
- **Imaging** (X-ray, CT, Ultrasound, Extremity MRI, Digital Mammography, Stereotactic Biopsy),
- **Surgery,**
- **Rehabilitation Therapies** (Occupational, Physical, Respiratory),
- **Skilled Nursing,**
- **Long Term Care,**
- **Acute and Intensive Care.**

Emergency 24 hours: 338-9444

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History

With the need for healthcare in the community evident, the Waimea Hospital and Morgue was built in 1927 at the end of Ola Road. The facility was supported by the three neighboring plantations and local businesses in the area.

By 1957, great strides in technology and hospital care gave rise to the need for a larger facility. The hospital managing committee spearheaded the building of KVMH. Stocked with the latest of equipment, KVMH opened with private rooms equipped with toilet facilities, air conditioned surgeries, and wards. It was considered “state of the art” in those years. The original Waimea Hospital was transformed into the Waimea Dispensary.



In 1993, responding to our community’s needs, a new Medical Surgical Acute Care wing was built with capital improvement funding (CIP) and added on to the then current structure.

In 1996, Legislature created the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) to govern the community hospitals that were under the direction of the State of Hawaii, Department of Health, Division of Community Hospitals. Being part of HHSC

has brought many benefits including teleradiography, telemedicine, video teleconferencing, and patient management information systems.

1996 also brought the opening of The Kawaiola Medical Office Building attached to KVMH. It was built with CIP funds secured by Representative Bertha Kawakami.



In 1999, the medical campus, now called West Kauai Medical Center, established primary care clinic services in the Kawaiola Building and at Eleele.

In 2001, KVMH was the first hospital in Hawaii to be designated a Critical Access Hospital (CAH) by the federal government ensuring rural communities access to needed medical services through federal cost reimbursement. It is also the only CAH hospital in Hawaii that is fully accredited by the Joint Commission.

That same year, Ho’ola Lahui Hawaii (HLH) opened discussions with KVMH regarding the establishment of a Federally Qualified Health Clinic on the West Kauai Medical Center campus. Shortly after a second clinic was opened at our sister facility on the eastside, Mahelona Medical Center. The collaboration is a model for providing rural communities with a full continuum of care while operating efficiently and effectively through improved utilization of services and resources.

In April 2003, KVMH celebrated the remodeled obstetrics unit, which includes labor delivery recovery postpartum rooms, a new nursery and nursing station. This important renovation was supported by grant monies from the McInerney Foundation, Wilcox Foundation and the KVMH Charitable Foundation.



We deliver an average of 20 babies each month. Our signature “baby feet” walls tells you that you are in The Family Birth Center.



In December 2004, the purchase of Kalaheo Clinic expanded primary care and clinic specialty services. Provider specialties currently include Pediatrics, Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Women’s Health, Obstetrics, Gynecology, General Surgery. Visiting consultants include Cardiology, Nephrology and Podiatry. Our clinic providers offer a continuum of care addressing the expanding medical needs of our island community.

In 2009, the Eleele Clinic re-opened as the Port Allen Clinic in a new, bigger location in Port Allen providing space for more physicians and exams rooms to handle the growing number of patients choosing West Kauai Clinics for their healthcare needs.

2010 brought exciting new services for our Kauai community to life, including Stress Testing, Extremity MRI, Digital Stress Mammography, and Stereotactic Biopsy. These services provide fast, clear results for diagnosis and treatment of patients, minimizing travel and waiting time. The stereotactic biopsy, in most cases, can prevent the need for surgery to extract tissue samples.

Our Emergency Department is open 24 hours a day, every day and serves an average of 20 patients each day.

Our vision for West Kauai Medical Center is to continue serving the west side communities by providing quality and compassionate health care, enhancing the “personal touch.”

