



Kamal Masaki, MD



Dr. Kamal Masaki is Professor and Chair of the Department of Geriatric Medicine at the John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawai'i Mānoa. She earned her medical degree at the University of Bombay, India, and completed Internal Medicine Residency training at Michigan State University and Geriatric

Medicine Fellowship training at the University of Hawai'i Mānoa. She has been the Director of the Mini-Medical School on Healthy Aging at the John A. Burns School of Medicine since 2020. She is the Academic Medical Director for Geriatrics at the Queen's University Medical Group.

Dr. Masaki was the Director of the Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program at the University of Hawai'i Mānoa for 8 years, and is board certified in Internal Medicine and Geriatric Medicine. She was elected to be a Fellow of the American Geriatrics Society. She has been performing aging and dementia research for over 33 years and is the Director of Research at Kuakini Medical Center. She has been an Investigator and Clinical Director for many large longitudinal epidemiologic studies, including the internationally renowned Kuakini Honolulu Heart Program, Honolulu-Asia Aging Study, Hawaii Lifespan Study, Hawaii Healthspan Study, and related offspring studies. She was Clinical Director for the Women's Health Initiative Hawaii Clinical Center, and Principal Investigator for an ancillary study, the Women's Health Initiative Memory Study Hawaii Center. She is currently the Director of the Clinical and Translational Core of the Center of Biomedical Research Excellence at Kuakini (NIH grant).

Dr. Masaki is the Director of the John A. Hartford Foundation Center of Excellence in Geriatrics at the University of Hawaii. She is Co-Principal Investigator for the Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (HRSA grant). She was previously Principal Investigator for a training grant from the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation. She was previously Principal Investigator of the Hawaii Medical Student Training in Aging Research (MSTAR) grant from the National Institute on Aging, which designated the University of Hawaii one of seven national training centers for aging research (2005-10). She has a strong track record for mentoring medical students, residents, fellows and junior faculty in aging research.

Dr. Masaki has received numerous teaching and research awards, and was selected by Hawaii physicians to "The Best Doctors in America" 3 times. She is a co-author on over 320 publications in scientific journals. She enjoys going to amusement parks and riding roller coasters with her family, and has been to all 6 Disney parks in the world.