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TakeCare to host The Medical City Doctors for Cancer Conference

Tamuning, GU—TakeCare Insurance Company, Inc. will be hosting three doctors from The Medical City in the Philippines for a conference on cancer awareness, Tuesday, February 24, 2009 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the TakeCare administrative offices at the Baltej Pavilion in Tamuning.

The Conference, entitled, "Patient Centered Approaches to Cancer Care," aims to discuss the benefit of multidisciplinary care, focusing on patient welfare and rational use of available technology and techniques. The conference's facilitators include, Manual Roxas, M.D., director of the Cancer Center and section head of Colorectal Surgery, Daniel Alonzo, M.D., chairman of the Otolaryngology department and head of the Cancer Center's Head and Neck Unit and Michael Mejia, M.D., consultant of Radiation Oncology at The Medical City.

"One of the conference's objectives is to reduce the burden of cancer in Guam by increasing community's awareness of effective, high-quality and accessible means of cancer prevention, diagnosis and treatment," said Gina Ramos, senior manager at TakeCare.

Ramos added, "This is just the beginning of, hopefully, many future collaborations between TakeCare and The Medical City to provide forums that address the key healthcare issues facing the

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island to not only our patients and members, but to the entire community of Guam.”

Established in 1972, TakeCare Insurance Company Inc. is a privately held consumer health organization delivering solutions that enhance people’s lives. The company fulfills this mission through its medical and dental insurance products as well as providing U.S. standard health care through its stand alone, full service FHP medical, dental and optometry clinics.

TakeCare consistently ranks in the Top 10 of the Deloitte and Touche/Guam Business list of top companies in Micronesia. TakeCare’s innovative and comprehensive health insurance products combined with its full service FHP health care clinics make it the total solution in healthcare for its members and patients.

The Medical City located in Metro Manila, Philippines, is a private, tertiary care hospital that has distilled some forty years of experience in hospital operation and administration in the establishment of its world-class healthcare complex.

The Medical City serves 40,000 inpatients and 380,000 outpatients a year and boasts a distinguished medical staff of 1,000 physicians, all of whom are experienced, recognized and established experts in their various fields of specialization – Medicine, Surgery, Orthopedics, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, Anesthesiology and Psychiatry. The Medical City secured the prestigious Joint Commission International Accreditation in 2006, receiving perfect scores in critical standards on access to care, continuity of care, quality improvement and patient safety.

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