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**Quin Ogawa Joins Hawaii Dental Service
as Chief Financial Officer**

Honolulu, Hawaii — Hawaii Dental Service, the state’s leading dental benefits provider, has named Quin Ogawa as its new chief financial officer. Ogawa succeeds Cheryl Takitani-Smith, who retired in January 2022.



Ogawa is part of the HDS executive team and will report to Dr. Diane Paloma, president and chief executive officer of Hawaii Dental Service.

“We’re glad to have a financial professional of Quin’s caliber on our HDS team,” Dr. Paloma said. “His extensive experience in physical and mental healthcare will complement our focus on oral health.”

Ogawa has more than 25 years of financial healthcare experience, the majority of which have been in senior leadership positions.

Prior to joining Hawaii Dental Service, Ogawa had been chief financial officer with Sutter Health Pacific Kahi Mohala for the past six years.

He also had been with Kuakini Health System for a total of 16 years. He served as chief financial officer for a total of eight years, from January 2005 to December 2006, and again from October 2009 to December 2015, overseeing all financial functions for Kuakini Health System and all its subsidiaries. While at Kuakini, he also served in various roles, including that of controller, accounting manager, director financial accounting and internal auditor.

Ogawa also served as director of fiscal services at Shriners Hospitals for Children in Honolulu and supervising senior auditor and senior consultant at KPMG Peat Marwick LLP.

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The Liliha resident received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and is a certified public accountant (not in public practice).

He is a member of American Institute of Certified Professional Accountants (AICPA), Healthcare Financial Management Association (HFMA), Hawaii Children Action Network (HCAN), Keiki Caucus, Kokua Mau, Kuakini Auxiliary, UH Alumni Association, and McKinley High School Alumni Association.

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About Hawaii Dental Service

Hawaii Dental Service (HDS) is the leading dental benefits provider in the state, serving nearly one million residents throughout Hawaii, Guam, and Saipan. It has the largest network of dentists, with more than 95 percent of Hawaii's licensed, practicing dentists participating with HDS.

As a nonprofit founded in Hawaii in 1962, HDS is committed to making quality oral health care affordable and accessible. Employers who offer HDS dental plans to their employees represent Hawaii's diverse industries, companies, unions, associations, and nonprofit organizations. HDS also offers dental plans for individuals and families. HDS has been a part of Delta Dental, the nation's largest and most experienced dental insurance benefits provider, since 1966. This affiliation gives members access to a nationwide network of participating dentists.

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