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## **Local Physician Wins Health Care Award**

*Medical Director of Wound Healing Center at Trinity Hospital of Augusta honored*

AUGUSTA, Ga. (March 16, 2009) –Dr. Drew Van Alstine has been named Medical Director of the Year by National Healing Corporation (NHC), a leader in disease management accounting for more than 30 percent of the nation's managed and outsourced wound healing centers.

Van Alstine is on staff at the Wound Healing Center at Trinity Hospital of Augusta, which specializes in the treatment of chronic and non-responsive conditions and offers hospital-based outpatient wound care and hyperbaric oxygen therapy as well as disease management and diabetes care.

NHC Chief Clinical Officer Katherine J. Rowland presented the award saying, "Drew's staff will tell you his major attributes are open communication, respect and being a great listener. He is a leader not only for National Healing Corporation but more importantly, for his staff in the center and in the community they serve. This medical director has shared a compelling vision for his center working with his center's panel physicians and staff to achieve a 91 percent heal rate."

As medical director, Van Alstine is responsible for reviewing patient care and results, evaluating new clinical products and providing oversight and guidance on policies and procedures.

Accepting the award, Van Alstine said, "In addition to the physicians, clinical staff and everyone on the team at the Wound Healing Center, I want to share this award with the administration at Trinity Hospital which understands the importance of the Wound Healing Center and is fully committed to offering state-of-the-art care right here in our community."

The Wound Healing Center at Trinity Hospital of Augusta is located at 2258 Wrightsboro Road, Suite 170. Call (706) 481-7947 or visit [www.stjoshosp.org](http://www.stjoshosp.org).

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### **About National Healing Corporation**

Founded in 1996 and headquartered in Boca Raton, Fla., with offices in Tampa, Fla., and Louisville, Ky., National Healing Corporation provides management services and the latest technology and expertise in wound healing to its client hospitals to establish quality wound healing programs. The Joint Commission has awarded National Healing Disease-Specific Care Certification for wound care. Committed to health care compliance and best practice medicine, National Healing emphasizes these priorities in its extensive clinical and business training programs. The privately-held company accounts for 30 percent of all managed and outsourced wound centers in the United States. For more information, please visit [www.nationalhealing.com](http://www.nationalhealing.com).