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## Vascular Birthmark Foundation to hold 2020 VBF Vascular Birthmarks / Anomalies Conference & Clinic in New York City on December 12

The Vascular Birthmark Foundation (VBF) is pleased to announce they will be holding the 2020 VBF Vascular Birthmarks / Anomalies Conference & Clinic at the Laser and Skin Surgery Center in New York, New York on Saturday, December 12, 2020. VBF will partner with Dr. Roy G. Geronemus, Dr. Robert J. Rosen, Dr. Francine Blei, and Dr. Milton Waner to provide individual clinic appointments with specialists who will provide an informal diagnosis and treatment plan to each affected individual.

Dr. Geronemus's experienced team has enacted the latest in COVID-19 Protocols and his office will be open only to VBF Conference attendees for the day on Saturday. All attendees will be pre-screened, masks will be provided, and social distancing guidelines will be in place for safety. Applications will be accepted until December 10 to attend the conference.

Comprehensive services offered at 2020 VBF Vascular Birthmarks / Anomalies Conference & Clinic include: free consultations, free laser treatments (to those qualified), free dental and orthodontic exams (to qualified patients), informal diagnoses, informal treatment plans, psychotherapy sessions, insurance assistance, and access to digital lectures regarding the latest information for diagnosing and treating vascular birthmarks, anomalies and related syndromes.

Vascular birthmark medical experts donate their time to present attendees with the latest treatment options and current research and offer clinic sessions for patients to receive an expert consultation. VBF offers attendees free access to all services, in addition to free lodging and parking. A plan has also been created if travel is not allowed into New York State at the time of the conference.

This is the 22<sup>nd</sup> Vascular Birthmarks / Anomalies Conference & Clinic held in the United States; additionally, VBF has offered 6 Vascular Birthmarks / Anomalies Conference & Clinic Internationally.

For more information including applications to attend, visit www.birthmark.org/conference

## **About the Vascular Birthmark Foundation:**

Dr. Linda Rozell Shannon is the President and founder of the Vascular Birthmarks Foundation. She has her Phd in Education, her Master of Science in Health Education, and has been a freelance writer and analyst for over 25 years. In 1994, after her daughter, Christine Mary Shannon, was diagnosed with a hemangioma, Linda began researching and writing information on vascular birthmarks, creating what is now known as the Vascular Birthmark Foundation (VBF). In 1995, Linda met Dr. Milton Waner of the Arkansas Children's Hospital. After he successfully removed her daughter's hemangioma in a single outpatient surgical procedure, she partnered with Dr. Waner to write the only book for parents on birthmarks. Dr. Waner became the first Medical Director of VBF. Today, Dr. Waner is an internationally recognized authority on the diagnosis and treatment of hemangiomas and vascular malformations, successfully treating thousands of children and adults with vascular birthmarks. Since its inception in 1994, VBF has successfully networked thousands of children and adults into treatment, sponsored significant research, educated physicians and affected family members about the diagnosis and treatment of vascular birthmarks, and established chapters all over the world.