From 1949 to 1951 Prof. Yamazaki was the head of the Medical Team for the US governmental Nagasaki Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission. 

http://www.dukeupress.edu/Catalog/ViewProduct.php?productid=2172&viewby=title

Children of the Atomic Bomb website at UCLA http://www.aasc.ucla.edu/cab/index.html

In 2008 Prof. Yamazaki was awarded the Socially Responsible Medicine Award, together with Lawrence Bender (An Inconvenient Truth), and Dr. Hans Blix, former International Atomic Energy General, by the NPO Physicians for Social Responsibility [PSR]
http://www.psr-la.org/media/photos/a-conversation-with-dr-yamazaki/
http://www.psr-la.org/media/photos/psr-la-2008-gala/

Physicians for Social Responsibility [PSR], Los Angeles, and Schecter Films Inc. are co-producing the documentary film "Dr. James Yamazaki and the Children of the Atomic Bomb."
See 9 minute introduction to the one hour documentary at http://www.youtube.com/user/PSRLA#p/a/u/0/ksmKUIhYMJs

Physicians for Social Responsibility [PSR] is a medical and public health group working to prevent the use or spread of nuclear weapons. http://www.psr.org/about/ PSR is the US affiliate of the NPO International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War [IPPNW], a non-partisan federation of national medical organizations in 62 countries.
http://peaceandhealthblog.com/about/

At the May 2010 Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference in New York City Prof. Yamazaki gave a presentation in the session on “Expert briefing on the medical and environmental consequences of nuclear war.” The conference session was sponsored by the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War [IPPNW]
http://peaceandhealthblog.com/2010/05/05/zero-is-the-only-option-ippnw-brings-science-to-the-npt/
http://peaceandhealthblog.com/2010/03/30/ippnw-at-npt-review/
http://peaceandhealthblog.com/2010/05/05/the-2010-npt-review-conference-may-5th/

Interviews with Prof. Yamazaki in the UCLA Daily Bruin newspaper:

Children of the Atomic Bomb website at UCLA
http://www.aasc.ucla.edu/cab/index.html
established by James N. Yamazaki, UCLA professor emeritus of pediatrics, and the UCLA Asian American Studies Center http://www.aasc.ucla.edu

The website includes lesson plans for high school teachers and background materials for students. An excerpt from the 2008 announcement below:

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Children of the Atomic Bomb website:
http://www.childrenoftheatomicbomb.com

"UCLA AASC Launches Website to Commemorate Hiroshima and Nagasaki:
Dr. James N. Yamazaki and The Children of the Atomic Bomb"
"Today, an enormous nuclear disaster simmers that must not be allowed to ignite."
-Dr. James N. Yamazaki, UCLA

August 6 and August 9 will mark the 63rd anniversary of the U.S. nuclear bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. In the history of humankind, Japan and the Japanese people were the only nation to bear the horrific consequences of the atomic bomb; over 100,000 persons died directly, with hundreds of thousands more being exposed directly and indirectly to the bomb. The children, both living and future generations, were especially vulnerable to the genetic effects of the bomb.

To commemorate this event, and to urge humankind to act today upon new medical and scientific knowledge about the long-term effects of the atomic bomb, UCLA's Asian American Studies Center announces the official August 2008 launching of the innovative website "Children of the Atomic Bomb."

The website, found at (http://www.childrenoftheatomicbomb.com ), was developed by the UCLA Asian American Studies Center in partnership with Dr. James N. Yamazaki, an emeritus professor of medicine at UCLA. Yamazaki was the lead physician of the 1949 U.S. Atomic Bomb Medical Team, studying the effects of nuclear bombing on children in Nagasaki. The project was funded in part by the Paul I. Terasaki Foundation, along with in-kind funding from the UCLA Asian American Studies Center. Additional funding came from Ms. Dodie Danchick.

The "Children of the Atomic Bomb" website provides Dr. Yamazaki's eyewitness accounts of his experiences in post-war Nagasaki, Hiroshima, and the Marshall Islands. According to Dr. Yamazaki: "Their tragedy has left a lifelong impact on me?Today, an enormous nuclear disaster simmers that must not be allowed to ignite."

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Dr. Yamazaki is the author of Children of the Atomic Bomb: An American Physician's Memoir of Nagasaki, Hiroshima, and the Marshall Islands. "Today," writes Dr. Yamazaki, "six decades into the nuclear year, we of the older generation must convey to younger and future generations the facts about the nuclear threat to the family of man."

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