



HAWAII STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH

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Meeting Notice & Agenda

DATE: TUESDAY, March 11, 2025

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

**WHERE: Via Zoom with in-person location at
Hale F Conference Room, 2201 Waimano Home Road, Pearl City, 96782**

Join virtually:

<https://zoom.us/s/95138653554#success>

Meeting ID: 951 3865 3554 Passcode 96782

Join by phone:

Dial 253 205 0468 or 669 444 9171

Join in-person:

Department of Health Waimano Complex Hale F Conference Room
2201 Waimano Home Road Pearl City, HI 96782

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| I. | Welcome and Call to Order
Meeting to be led by Chairperson | 9:00 to 9:05 a.m. |
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| II. | Meeting Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting protocol for audiovisual communication breakdown or zoom bombing incident• 2025 SCMH Report to the Governor and Legislature• State Council flyer and membership vacancies• Mental health care learning and networking events• Ex-officio member message | 9:05 to 9:15 a.m. |
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| III. | Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 14, 2024 meeting• February 11, 2025 meeting | 9:15 to 9:20 a.m. |

IV. Community Input **9:20 to 9:30 a.m.**

[Note: Testimony from interested persons will also be taken immediately before each agenda item.]

V. New Business **9:30 to 10:10 a.m.**

A. Presentation

“Hawai‘i Youth Mental Health Needs Assessment – Update.”

Dr. Jeanelle Sugimoto-Matsuda

Ms. Alexa St. Martin

Ms. Katrina Mae Tolentino

University of Hawai‘i

B. Election of 2025 Officers

Positions: Chairperson, 1st Vice Chairperson, 2nd Vice Chairperson, Secretary

VI. Old Business **10:10 to 11:10 a.m.**

A. Presentations in December and February

Action on draft thank you letters and actions requested relating to December 10, 2024 and February 11, 2025 presentations.

B. 2025 Legislation Council Agenda

The Ad Hoc Committee on 2025 Legislation will update on bills that the Council voted on last February and the proposed resolution to address the public mental health workforce shortage. It may also present the following bills for discussion and Council action.

The additional bills for consideration include:

House Bill 300. Relating to the State Budget. Appropriates funds for the operating and capital improvement budget of the Executive Branch for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027.

Senate Bill 1443 Senate Draft (“SD1”). Relating to the Department of Health.

Establishes maximum rates of payment for medical care for patients of the Hawai‘i State Hospital or of another psychiatric facility who are under the custody of the Director of Health. Authorizes the Department of Health to establish long-term care payment rates for patients discharged to a long-term care facility from the Hawai‘i State Hospital or another psychiatric facility where they were under the custody of the Director of Health. Exempts the Department of Health from chapter 103F, HRS, for the procurement of medical care and long-term care for patients who are or were under the custody of the Director of Health at the Hawai‘i State Hospital or a psychiatric facility. Effective 12/31/2050.

House Bill 1462 House Draft (“HD1”) Relating to Crisis Services. Expands the Crisis Intervention and Diversion Services Program to include at least two sites on the island of O‘ahu, including one program in an area with a disproportionate number

of individuals with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or homelessness. Effective 7/1/3000.

Senate Bill 1282 SD1. Relating to Telehealth. Updates the State's laws on telehealth services to conform with federal Medicare regulations. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to report to the Legislature on reimbursements claimed in the previous year for certain telehealth services. Repeals the sunset date of Act 107, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2023. Effective 12/31/2050.

House Bill 727 HD1. Relating to Women's Court. Establishes a temporary three-year women's court pilot program within the Second and Fifth Circuits. Requires the Third Circuit of the Judiciary and Big Island Drug Court to conduct an interim study to establish a blueprint for a women's court pilot program in the Third Circuit. Requires reports. Establishes temporary positions. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. Sunsets 6/30/2028.

House Bill 213 HD1. Relating to Loan Repayment for Healthcare Professionals. Appropriates funds for the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program. Effective 7/1/3000.

House Bill 303 HD2. Relating to Healthcare Preceptors. Expands the definitions of "preceptor" and "volunteer-based supervised clinical training rotation" to improve accessibility for providers to receive income tax credits for acting as preceptors, including removing "primary care" from the criteria to qualify as a preceptor. Adds dietitians, physician assistants, and social workers to the list of preceptors and eligible students. Expands eligibility for the tax credit to include accredited residency programs that require preceptor support. Adds the Director of Health and residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2025. Effective 7/1/3000.

House Bill 714 HD1. Relating to Healthcare Workforce Development. Appropriates funds to support educational training programs to expand the State's health care workforce, including health care certificate programs and classroom renovations for health care training in public high schools and education programs that support certified nurse assistants in becoming licensed practical nurses. Effective 7/1/3000.

The bills that are alive and that may be discussed again because of new versions:

House Bill 700 HD1. Relating to Cognitive Assessments. Establishes a Cognitive Assessments for Medicare Beneficiaries Pilot Program within the Executive Office on Aging. Requires the Executive Office on Aging to collaborate with a health care system for the pilot program, health care providers participating in the pilot program to submit certain information to the Executive Office on Aging, and the Executive Office on Aging to report de-identified aggregated data to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/3000.

House Bill 280 HD3 and Senate Bill 361 SD2. Relating to the Community Outreach Court. Permanently establishes and appropriates funds for the Community Outreach Court as a division of the District Court of the First Circuit. Effective 7/1/3000.

Senate Bill 1448 SD2. Making an emergency appropriation to the Department of Health for Construction Defect Remediation at the Hawai'i State Hospital. Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Health to fund construction defect remediation of the Hale Ho'ola Building of the Hawai'i State Hospital, including the payment of legal fees and costs for special deputy attorneys general. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 has been exceeded. Effective 7/1/2050.

Senate Bill 1442 SD2. Relating to Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents. Clarifies and updates the responsibilities of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health to reflect the current mental health systems of care that address the mental health needs of children and adolescents in the State. Effective 4/23/2057.

House Bill 1079 HD1. Relating to Trauma-Informed Care. Directs the Office of Wellness and Resilience to collaborate with the Department of Human Services to, either directly or by contract, design, administer, and implement a program for trauma-informed organizational assessments and a training curriculum for the Department of Human Services Child Welfare Services Branch staff. Appropriates funds for the program. Effective 7/1/3000.

House Bill 212 HD2. Relating to Homelessness. Requires the Statewide Office on Homelessness and Housing Solutions to establish a permanent Return-to-Home Program to return homeless individuals in the State to families and relatives in their home states. Requires the Office to report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000.

House Bill 943 HD1. Relating to Homelessness. Requires and appropriates funds for the Department of Health to expand existing crisis intervention programs by establishing a homeless triage and treatment center program to serve homeless individuals and individuals at risk of homelessness with substance abuse issues or mental illness. Effective 7/1/3000.

VII. Informational Reports by Council Members

11:10 to 11:55 a.m.

Standard agenda reporting which may be written or oral.

Each report may include information on mental health-related meetings attended, upcoming mental health-related events to share, and mental health conversation topics and resources from mental health stakeholders in

the community. It may include concerns relating to concerns that the Council could help in, and responsibility areas for acting on or before the next meeting.

A. Island Representative Reports

1. O'ahu Service Area Board meeting –Jackie Jackson
2. Hawai'i Service Area Board meeting – John Betlach

B. Government Sector Representative Reports - Mental Health Care

1. Behavioral health sector – Kathleen Merriam
2. Social services sector – Ray Rice
3. MedQUEST/Medicaid & HACDACS sector – Jon Fujii
4. Judiciary/Mental Health Court – Kristin Will
5. Education – Christine Montague-Hicks
6. Vocational Rehabilitation – Leah Dias

C. Specialty Area Representative Reports -Mental Health Care

1. Providers – Forrest Wells
2. Parents, family members, consumer advocates –
Mary Pat Waterhouse, Heidi Ilyavi, Katherine Aumer,
Naomi Crozier
3. Youth and consumer advocate – Asianna Saragosa-Torres,
Tianna Celis-Webster

VIII. Adjournment

11:55 to 12:00 noon

Meeting feedback and update on future presentations.

Recording: This public meeting will be recorded and a recording of this meeting will be made available to the public pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes 92-3.7.

Meeting Packet. In compliance with Hawai'i Revised Statutes 92-7.5, the meeting packet, if any, will be distributed to Council members no later than two business days before the meeting, and will also be made available for public inspection at the SCMH's Office at Hale F, 2201 Waimano Home Road, Pearl City, HI 96782. It will also be available on request. To receive the meeting packet as soon as it is ready, please request to be in the distribution list by sending a request with your name and email address to doh.scmhchairperson@doh.Hawaii.gov.

Public testimony will be accepted on community concerns and any agenda item. Testimony may be oral or written. **Oral Testimony** Oral testimony will be accepted at the meeting. Anyone wishing to testify orally is encouraged to please sign up in advance. You may also advise us at the meeting if you would like to testify orally. Oral testimony will be limited to three (3) minutes per person per agenda item or community issue. **Written Testimony.** Attempts will be made to make copies of written testimonies be part of the meeting packet if received in a timely manner. Otherwise, these will be distributed to board members and the public at any time before the meeting. Written testimony may be sent to the State Council on Mental Health

via e-mail at doh.scmhchairperson@doh.Hawaii.gov. or submitted via USPS to: State Council on Mental Health (Attn: Waimano Hale F) P.O. Box 3378, Room 256, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96801-3378. Note: Any personal information (such as home addresses, home phone numbers, cell phone numbers) included on the written testimony will become public information.

Accommodation. If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Carolyn Weygan-Hildebrand by calling at (808) 453-6957 or emailing doh.scmhchairperson@doh.Hawaii.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats/accessible formats.

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