



**STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
KA 'OIHANA OLAKINO
STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH**
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**HAWAII STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH (SCMH)
Meeting Notice**

DATE: TUESDAY, December 10, 2024
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 from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:
<https://zoom.us/j/95904509409?pwd=TnFpNnQzOEtNlPbcG92cUVrWGNtZz09>
Meeting ID: 959 0450 9409 Passcode: 96782

Join by phone: +1 719 359 4580

In person public video-conferencing meeting location:
Waimano Complex Hale F Conference Room Department of Health
2201 Waimano Home Road Pearl City, HI 96782

This public meeting will be recorded and a recording of this meeting will be made available to the public pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes 92-3.7.

AGENDA

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| I. Welcome and Call to Order
Meeting to be led by Chairperson | 9:00 to 9:05 am |
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| II. Meeting Announcements <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meeting protocol for audiovisual communication breakdown• Learning events, webinars, and conferences• State Council membership vacancies• Ex-officio member message | 9:05 to 9:15 am |

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- III. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes** **9:15 to 9:20 am**
August 13, 2024, October 8, 2024, and November 12, 2024
meeting minutes
- IV. Community Input** **9:20 to 9:30 am**
*[Note: Testimony from interested persons will also
be taken immediately before each agenda item.]*
- V. New Business** **9:30 to 11:00 am**
- A. Presentation**
“Observations on the Impact of the Lahaina Wildfires have
Had on Individual and Community Mental Health”
Dr. Christopher Knightsbridge, Director of Mental Health Services
Hawaii Community Health
- B. Presentation**
“The Medicaid Perspective: Care Coordination Services”
Jon Fujii, Health Care Services Branch Administrator
Med-QUEST Division, State of Hawaii
- C. State Council on Mental Health 2025 Report to the Governor**
Presentation of requirement, deadlines, past practice, and
first rough draft for feedback - Staff
*Action requested: Approval of rough draft and creation of a
permitted interaction group (negotiating) to finalize the report.*
- VI. Old Business** **11:00 to 11:30 am**
- A. Presentations in November**
Presentation of drafts thank you letters to November 12, 2024
presenters
Action requested: Approve thank you letters.
- B. 2025 Legislation Council Agenda**
To be led by the ad hoc committee on 2025 Legislation
1. 2025 Legislative Bills. Presentation of proposed themes to guide advocacy.
*Action requested: Approve a list of themes, including from previous legislative
bills and those pursued by community collaborators, as criteria for selecting the
bills that the Council will review and testify on during the 2025 legislative
session.*

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2. 2025 Legislative Resolution to address workforce. Presentation of potential resolution to bring together stakeholders to address the public mental health workforce issue.

Action requested: Approve a potential resolution and create a negotiating permitted interaction group to finalize and present to potential legislators-introducers.

VII. Informational Reports by Council Members

11:30 to 11:55 am

Council members convey factual details on the area that they represent on the board and contribute insights and development updates relevant to mental health. The report may be oral, written, or both.

A. Island Representative Reports

1. Oahu Service Area Board – Jackie Jackson
2. Hawaii Service Area Board – John Betlach

B. Government Sector Representative Reports

1. Behavioral Health - Kathleen Merriam
2. Social Services – Ray Rice
3. MedQUEST/Medicaid & HACDACS – Jon Fujii
4. Vocational Rehabilitation (VocRehab) - Lea Dias
5. Judiciary - Kristin Will
6. Education – Christine Montague-Hicks

C. Specialty Area Representative Reports

1. Providers – Forrest Wells
2. Parents, Family Members, Consumer Advocate – Mary Pat Waterhouse, Heidi Ilyavi, Katherine Aumer, Naomi Crozier
3. Youth/Consumer Advocate – Asianna Saragosa-Torres, Tianna Celis-Webster

VIII. Adjournment

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Meeting Packet. If there will be one, the meeting packet will be available to view in 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. As provided by Hawai'i's Sunshine Laws, oral testimony is limited to three (3) minutes per person. **Written Testimony.** To aid the Council in the distribution of written testimony to its members, the Council requests that written testimony be submitted by Thursday morning prior to the meeting. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. 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.