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CAPITOL EVENT CELEBRATES THE ABILITIES OF PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

HONOLULU – The Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities will convene its annual “Day at the Capitol” on Thursday, Mar. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the State Capitol Auditorium.

Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in Hawaii is part of a nationwide campaign to raise public awareness about the abilities, skills and talents of individuals with developmental disabilities. This year’s theme, “*Don’t DIS an Ability, LOOK at what we can do!*” encourages all citizens to recognize the efforts to achieve a culture of meaningful and full inclusion of individuals with developmental disabilities in all facets of community life.

More than 300 self-advocates, family members, service providers and other advocates are expected to attend this event to celebrate and to participate in the legislative process. Participants will meet with legislators from their home districts; be introduced and recognized during the House and Senate Floor sessions; attend public hearings; take a tour of the State Capitol; and meet and network with others.

This event is a collaborative effort coordinated by the State Council on Developmental Disabilities in partnership with the Hilopa’a Family to Family Health Information Center and the Hawai’i Waiver Providers Association.

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