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ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT March 2012

Subarea Health Planning Councils (SACs) Activities

- Kauai** Members met on February 17, 2012, and heard a presentation given by Dr. Dileep G. Bal, District Health Officer, Kauai District Health Office. Dr. Bal shared information on *Tropic Care Kauai 2012*. This is a partnership between the Kauai District Health Office and the Department of Defense Reserve Affairs. Over 300 clinicians will converge on Kauai in a deployment exercise to provide *free health care* at three sites, 7 days a week from 8 AM – 7 PM, February 28 to March 9, 2012.
- Honolulu** Ms. Coral Andrews, of the Hawaii Health Connector, briefed the members on the progress of establishing Hawaii's health insurance exchange. The Affordable Care Act requires that Hawaii's health insurance exchange be established by January 2014. In 2011, Act 205 was enacted by the Hawaii State Legislature to create the Hawaii Health Connector (the Connector) as a quasi-governmental non-profit corporation to oversee the establishment and implementation of Hawaii's health insurance exchange. The Connector will have a web portal marketplace for individuals and small businesses (of 50 employees or less) to compare and shop for health insurance. Individuals or small businesses can also obtain subsidy help at the Connector if eligible. The Connector will offer federally qualified health plans which will have several levels of coverage. Hawaii may have additional considerations in the development of the Connector because of the Prepaid Health Care Act.
- West Oahu & Windward Oahu** Members met on February 15, 2012, and heard from guest presenter: Christine Sakuda, Executive Director, Hawaii Health Information Exchange. Ms. Sakuda briefed members on the primary care providers' adoption of electronic health records.
- Tri-Isle** Members are scheduled to meet with Dr. Lorrin Pang, District Health Office, Maui District Health Office and Ms. Rita Barreras, Project Director, Aging with Aloha Coalition on April 13, 2012.
- Hawaii** The March meeting was postponed. A meeting is being organized for April. Members will hear from guest presenter: Mr. Richard Taaffe, Executive Director, West Hawaii Community Health Center.

HSFP Update

<u>Long-term Care Services Subcommittee:</u>	No meeting in February.
<u>Behavioral Health Services Subcommittee:</u>	No meeting in February.
<u>Primary Care Services Subcommittee:</u>	No meeting in February.

Certificate of Need Applications

- #09-13 Rainbow Dialysis, LLC, for the establishment of Dialysis Services at 80 Mahalani Street, Wailuku and 305 Keawe Street, Lahaina, Hawaii. Approved February 17, 2011. On appeal in Circuit Court of the First Circuit.
- #10-14 Mastercare Inc., for the establishment of Home Health Agency Services, Honolulu, Oahu. Applicant requested March reviews.
- #11-15 Hawaii Medical Response Inc. for the establishment of Surface Ambulance Service at 87-154 Farrington Highway. Disapproved.
- #11-18A St. Francis Hospitals, et al for the acquisition of HMC East, HMC West and joint ventures. Request received from applicant to postpone application. Waiting for further instructions from applicant.
- #11-20A Bio-Medical Applications Management Company, Inc. - Acquisition of Liberty Dialysis Holdings, Inc. Conditional Approval February 17, 2012.
- #11-22A Hawaii PET Imaging, LLC - Additional MRI Service location at 559 Farrington Hwy, #204, Honolulu, HI. Information meeting scheduled for March 7, 2012.
- #11-23 Castle Medical Center - Establishment of Open Heart Surgery Services. Decision pending.
- #12-01A Islands Hospice, Inc. – Addition of Five Inpatient Hospice Beds at 2449 10th Avenue, Honolulu, HI. Approved February 28, 2012.
- #12-02A Power-On Coaching Inc. – Establishment of 8-bed Special Treatment Facility at 45-3514 Paauha Road, Honokaa, HI. Public notice scheduled for March 3, 2012.