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Dear Hawaii Trauma Advisory Council Members,

For those of you I have not had the pleasure of meeting, my name is Devin Puapong. I am a pediatric surgeon at Kapiolani Medical Center and have been involved with Hawaii Trauma Advisory Council (HTAC) since 2010. I am excited to be given the opportunity to serve as HTAC Chair for this upcoming term.

I would first like to thank Drs. Rosen, Steinemann, Hayashi, and Kellicut for the leadership they have provided and their efforts at improving our state trauma system as HTAC Chair. Under their guidance, we have come a long way as an organization and now have what I believe is a strong foundation to build upon.

As HTAC moves forward in these uncertain times, I believe our focus should continue to work towards meeting the American College of Surgeons recommendations put forth after their most recent site visit with a special emphasis on developing a sustainable and acceptable case review process for performance improvement.

With regard to intangibles, I hope to foster an environment where we can put aside our institutional biases and competing interests to collaborate with our patients' best interests in mind. In that vein, I would ask that we all be mindful of respect and professional behavior in our interactions with one another in public forums.

I am very much looking forward to working with everyone and hope that I can be of meaningful service in this new role. Please feel free to contact me at any time should there be any questions or concerns that you feel I can address.

Aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Devin Puapong".

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