



**HAWAII STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
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 Data Advisory Council - Plan Development Committee

**Meeting Minutes**

January 22, 2024 | 1:00 PM Hawaii Time  
 Virtually via Zoom and Physical Meeting Location at  
 The Keoni Ana Building, 1177 Alakea Street, Suite 402

**MEMBERS:** Rebecca Cai, Francis Chan, Alfred Herrera, Robert Hirokawa, Haley Hsieh, James Lin, Ranjani Starr, Derek Vale, Cristina Vocalan

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Lance Ching, Deborah Taira, Kelley Withy

**GUESTS:**

**SHPDA:** John Lewin, Wendy Nihoa

**ATTENDANCE RECORD OF MEMBERS**

<b>Date</b>	10/19/23	12/5/23	1/22/24	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Rebecca Cai	/	X	X							
Francis Chan	X	X	X							
Lance Ching	X	O	O							
Alfred Herrera	X	X	X							
Robert Hirokawa*	X	X	X							
Haley Hsieh	O	X	X							
James Lin	/	X	X							
Ranjani Starr	X	X	X							
Deborah Taira	X	X	O							
Derek Vale	X	X	X							
Cristina Vocalan	X	X	X							
Kelley Withy	X	X	O							

Legend: X=Present; O=Absent; /=Not a Member

\*-Chair, \*\*-Vice Chair

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. by R. Hirokawa, Chairperson, Data Advisory Council presiding.	
Roll Call	Member roll call.	
Welcome	R. Hirokawa welcomed members.	
Minutes	<p>Motion: To accept the minutes from the meeting on December 5, 2023</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.</p> <p>Public testimony – none.</p>	
State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) Updates	<p>J. Lewin, Administrator, reported the introduction of Legislation pertaining to SHPDA - SB2285 and SB2876. Both introduced and past the first reading. SB2285 will provide SHPDA operating and staff resources in order to achieve universal access to high-quality, equitable, and affordable health care for all citizens of Hawaii. SB2876 Establishes the Hui Ho’omana task force to identify actionable items and financial resources to offer residents universal access to affordable, high-quality healthcare via a report to the legislature. J. Lewin noted, the work of SHPDA’s four councils (Data, Keiki, Kupuna, Universal Access) will be used to inform the task force.</p> <p>SHPDA continues to collaborate with the Hawaii Department of Human Services, MedQUEST program in pursuit of the Centers for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)- States Advancing All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) Model Grant. The grant application is due on March 18, 2024. Details available at <a href="https://www.cms.gov/priorities/innovation/innovation-models/ahead">https://www.cms.gov/priorities/innovation/innovation-models/ahead</a></p> <p>Public testimony – none.</p>	
Discussion of Short-and Long-Term Health Data State Vision	Item deferred.	
Connecting the Safety New and Independent Physician Practices	<p>J. Lewin provided opening comments followed by a discussion among members. Members shared experiences and observations on the topic: funding and technical expertise is needed to achieve integration in Hawaii; a suggestion was made to look to other states; an updated and consistent data dictionary and data integrity will be a challenge. The pros and cons relating to TEFCA and OCHIN’s involvement with various systems (local/national) was</p>	

<p>Election of Vice Chair</p>	<p>also discussed, and it was mentioned the OCHIN is a good fit for several health centers who were offered incentives to see larger hospital data. Some of the AHEAD grant funding could be used for Hawaii's All Payer Claims database to achieve its goal.</p> <p>J. Lewin offered to coordinate a call with OCHIN for anyone interested. Interest was expressed.</p> <p>J. Lin volunteered to be vice chair. There were no other volunteers or nominations.        Motion: Appointment of J. Lin as Vice Chair of the Data Advisory Committee.        Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.        Public testimony – none.</p>	
<p>Data Advisory Council Membership</p>	<p>Additional members. SHPDA will invite representation from HMSA (David Dobbs), Kaiser (Greg Christian), and AlohaCare (Gary Okamoto).</p>	<p>J. Lewin to generate invitation.</p>
<p>Meeting Logistics</p>	<p>R. Hirokawa suggested two-short 45-minute meetings to allow tis Council to provide input to the AHEAD grant.</p>	
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>February 7, 2024, 2:00 p.m.        February 20, 2024, 2:30 p.m.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.</p>	