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ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT
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Subarea Health Planning Councils (SACs)

Hawaii

The Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council (HCSAC) met on April 16, 2024. SHPDA provided updates on the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) Grant application submitted on March 18, 2024. Award notification anticipated in June 2024; project to start on July 1, 2024. Updates were also provided on the 2024 Legislative Session - Senate Bill 2285. The Prioritization Process, to determine HCSAC Priorities, was reviewed and initiated; an update on the Accessing Healthcare Services Project, the goal is to complete the project by Fall 2024. The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2024.

Honolulu

The Honolulu Subarea Health Planning Council (HONSAC) met on April 11, 2024. SHPDA provided updates on the CMS-AHEAD Grant application submitted on March 18, 2024. Award notification anticipated in June 2024; project to start on July 1, 2024. Updates were also provided on the 2024 Legislative Session - Senate Bill 2285. The HONSAC priorities for 2024 and beyond were reviewed and discussed. Updates were provided by the HONSAC standing committees. The next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2024.

Kauai

The Kauai Subarea Health Planning Council met on April 9, 2024. SHPDA provided updates on the CMS-AHEAD Grant application submitted on March 18, 2024. Award notification anticipated in June 2024; project to start on July 1, 2024. Updates were also provided on the 2024 Legislative Session - Senate Bill 2285. An updated on the Community Healthcare Needs Assessment Project was provided. The next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2024.

Tri-Isle

The Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council did not meet in April. The next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2024.

West Oahu The West Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council did not meet in April. The next meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2024.

Windward Oahu The Windward Oahu Subarea Health Planning Council did not meet in April. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Statewide Health Coordinating Council

The Statewide Health Coordinating council did not meet in April. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Statewide Health Coordinating Council-Plan Development Committee

The Plan Development Committee did not meet in April. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Advisory Councils

Data The Data Advisory Council did not meet in April. The next meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2024.

Keiki The Keiki Advisory Council (KC) met on April 24, 2024. SHPDA provided updates on the CMS-AHEAD Grant application submitted on March 18, 2024. Award notification anticipated in June 2024; project to start on July 1, 2024. Updates were also provided on the 2024 Legislative Session - Senate Bill 2285. Members presented their individual lists of issues and challenges related to the development of the KC's priorities. The next meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2024.

Kupuna The Kupuna Advisory Council did not meet in April. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Advisory Councils (con't)

Universal Access The Universal Access Advisory Council did not meet in April. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Health System Reform

Health System Reform did not make the expected progress we anticipated in May 2024 for 2 reasons: first SB 2285, which was designed to staff and fund SHPDA to increase its health care oversight functions and health data analytics capacities, after easily passing with wide support 6 House and Senate committees, did not emerge successfully from Conference and was deferred to 1995. This was undoubtedly due to invisible concern/opposition from health care industry participants. It will need to be finessed more expertly in 2025 by engaging with hospitals and health insurers to allay their concerns and more fully engage them in the Hawaii the Health State 2025 vision. This vision of the Governor will nonetheless prevail over time. And second, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced it would be delaying selection of successful state applications for the AHEAD grant until mid to late June – in other words until sometime later this month. The AHEAD grant is an ambitious very large 8-10 year long federal program to expand primary care access statewide to include mental and social determinants of health; to revamp hospital funding to, in addition to providing excellent inpatient and emergency services, focus on new incentives for improving community health, equity, and population health; and finally, to have the state monitor comprehensive health care spending. Med-QUEST and SHPDA are still very hopeful our application will among the 4-5 states selected.

Research and Statistics

SHPDA's annual Health Care Utilization Survey for calendar year 2023 is ongoing. As of April 30, 2024, the response rate for the 2023 utilization survey was at 31%. Health care facilities/providers were reminded to complete the 2023 utilization survey and return it to SHPDA by May 31, 2024.

The Hawaii Health Data Center (HHDC) Project Team

(Updates will be provided in the February, May, August, and November reports.)

Current Data Submission Status (04/30/2024):

1. CVS Health: Q1 2024 data received.
2. EUTF: Q1 2024 data received.
3. Hawaii Dental Service: Q1 2024 data received and accepted.
4. Kaiser: Q1 2024 data will be delayed, working with Kaiser to address reported data issues.
5. Hawaii Medical Service Association: Q1 2024 data received and accepted.
6. VSP Vision Care: Q1 2024 data received.

Certificate of Need Applications

- #23-06A Malama Hospice and Palliative Care LLC
Establishment of hospice services at 75-5706 Hanama Place, Unit 103,
Kailua-Kona, HI.
Incomplete. Waiting for applicant's revisions.
- #23-08 Worldwide Molecular Solutions, LLC
Establishment of PET/CT scanner services at 677 Ala Moana Blvd., Suites
108 & 120, Honolulu, HI.
Scheduling for July reviews.
- #24-02 Shalom Hospice LLC
Establishment of hospice services at 677 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, HI.
Scheduling for May/June reviews.