



HAWAII STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
 1177 Alakea Street, Suite 402 • Honolulu, HI 96813 • Phone: (808) 587-0788 • www.shpda.org
 Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council

-DRAFT-

**Meeting Minutes
 November 21, 2024
 2:00 PM Hawaii Time**

Virtual Zoom Meeting and Physical Location at
 The Keoni Ana Building, 1177 Alakea Street, Suite 402

https://www.zoomgov.com/rec/share/jTAdw82o3oMI0dUEhFUEPMKMie9zCXm4DCQNkE2SL4OvBTXkkWG_THjEtRaU2L.8-3n3d0Kh0viBlq1

Passcode: Z+%0iE*s

MEMBERS: Kathleen Hagan, Karen Holt, Francine Johansen, Bob Shroder, Donna Butterfield, Rahnia Boyer
 MEMBERS ABSENT: None
 GUESTS: Lynn Fulton, President and Chief Executive Officer Maui Health, Maui Memorial Medical Center
 SHPDA: John Lewin, Terry Visperas

ATTENDANCE RECORD OF APPOINTED MEMBERS

Date	5/13/22	8/12/22	12/2/22	2/17/23	6/23/23	11/17/23	3/15/24	6/21/24	8/9/24	9/20/24
Donna Butterfield	X	X	X	O	O	X	O	X	X	X
Kathleen Hagan*	X	X	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X
Francine Johansen	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Robert "Bob" Shroder**	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rahnia Boyer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X

Legend: X=Present; O=Absent; /=No Meeting; *=Chair, **=Vice Chair

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 2:09 p.m. with B. Shroder, Chair, TISAC presiding.	
Roll Call	Member roll call followed by staff introductions.	
Meeting Minutes	<p>The minutes of the August 9, 2024, and September 20, 2024, meeting was reviewed and unanimously approved.</p> <p>Call for public testimony – none.</p>	
Administrator’s Report	<p>The Administrator’s Reports was distributed and reviewed. All Administrator’s may be accessible via the State Health Planning and Development Agency’s website at https://health.hawaii.gov/shpda/agency-resources-and-publications/administrators-reports/</p>	
State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) Updates	<p>J. Lewin, Administrator, SHPDA, provided an update:</p> <p>The AHEAD grant process is currently in the onboarding phase, which is expected to take time. The pre-implementation phase runs through January 2027, and implementation will begin in January 2027 and continue until January 2035. The state will receive approximately \$2.3-\$2.5 million annually for consulting, administrative, and data needs during the first 5 years. The grant’s primary funding will flow directly to healthcare providers like hospitals, doctors, and medical groups as incentive payments. Although these incentives may not be huge, they will still represent a significant amount of money when aggregated.</p> <p>Concerns were raised about potential federal budget cuts, particularly regarding Medicare, Medicaid, and social security. The uncertainty stems from the political climate, but the AHEAD grant is expected to be secure, as it is already appropriated.</p> <p>A brief discussion followed.</p> <p>Prior authorization processes by insurance companies are becoming significant barriers to care, resulting in an increasing number of service denials. Efforts to tackle this issue, including addressing corporate practices in healthcare, will be considered.</p> <p>Feedback is being sought regarding healthcare in Hawaii, particularly for underserved areas like Molokai and Maui. The shortage of primary care providers in Maui is a concern, and input from healthcare providers and the public is encouraged to help address these issues.</p> <p>The need for feedback on healthcare efforts, especially in primary care, behavioral health, and</p>	

Guest Speaker	<p>social factors affecting health. Community input is essential to improve the success of the AHEAD grant.</p> <p>Call for public testimony – none.</p> <p>Public testimony – none.</p> <p>Lynn Fulton, President and Chief Executive Officer Maui Health, Maui Memorial Medical Center Appreciates the warm “Aloha spirit” she has experienced since moving to Maui 10 months ago. Provided an overview of the hospital’s current challenges including the shortage of primary care providers and housing for healthcare professionals in Maui, and discussed strategic initiatives to improve healthcare delivery and possible strategies to address workforce development and housing.</p>	
Announcements	<p>Chair B. Shroder, proposed 2025 quarterly meeting dates: February 21st; May 16th; August 15th & November 21st.</p>	
Next Meeting	<p>Friday, February 21, 2025</p>	
Adjourn	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.</p>	