

Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Task Force Meeting Minutes
Department of Health, State of Hawai'i
Tuesday, June 24, 2025, 10:00-11:30 AM
Physical Location: JABSOM Campus, 651 Ilalo St, Honolulu, HI: Medical Education
Building, Grid Access Room (#202)
Virtual Location via Zoom: <http://hawaii-gov.zoom.us/j/85814143775>
Meeting: 858 1414 3775

Members Present: Dr. Scott Shimabukuro, Dr. Evan Reppun Beachy, Judith Clark, Bridgette Bennett, Dr. Jillian Freitas, Josie Howard, Amanda Stevens (for Ryan Yamane)

Members Absent: Yuuko Arikawa-Cross, Ryan Yamane, Romey Glidewell, Sgt. Corbin Matsumoto, Fern Yoshida

Members Excused: Yuuko Arikawa-Cross, Ryan Yamane, Romey Glidewell, Sgt. Corbin Matsumoto, Fern Yoshida

Facilitators and Guest Presenters: Ashley Petitt, Sharon Simms

DOH Staff Present: Charlene Takeno

I. Call to Order & Opening Remarks

- Chairperson Dr. Scott Shimabukuro called the meeting to order at 10:15 am. Acknowledgement was given to this being the last Trauma-Informed Care (TIC) Task Force meeting. Appreciation for co-facilitators Sharon Simms and Ashley Petitt was expressed.

II. Moment of Silence & Grounding

- Grounding and moment of silence led by Task Force co-facilitator Ashley Petitt.

III. Vote to approve meeting minutes from the May 27, 2025, meeting. All meeting minutes and recordings are posted on the task force website: traumainformed.hawaii.gov.

- Amanda Stevens requested the spelling of her name be corrected.
- Judith Clark moved to approve the minutes with requested change. Dr. Evan Reppun Beachy seconded the motion. All members voted to approve the minutes with the corrected spelling of Amanda Steven's name. Minutes approved.

IV. Community Members are invited to share feedback and share about any additional individual, agency, and community initiatives, training, events, etc., related to Trauma-Informed Care (TIC).

- Ashley Petitt invited community members and Task Force Members to share updates.
 - Community Member Raymond Sin, Active Duty Military Air Force Member and former high school educator offered testimony from military experience and as a veteran's advocate. Mr. Sin shared knowledge on the theory of broken windows as it relates to public policy and healthcare practices. If issues are not addressed early on, they can lead to something more traumatic. Mr. Sin shared that the Hawai'i State Constitution is the only state to include indigenous, Native Hawaiian law into the constitution, including: aloha, compassion, love and grace.
 - Josie Howard shared that there are 10 families who were unfairly kicked out of housing in Kaua'i. Micronesian community leaders are working to find solutions, including identifying families and churches that are willing to support these families with employment and housing. They are facilitating a monthly meeting to brainstorm.
 - Judith Clark announced that the City and County of Honolulu is opening applications for Section 8 housing choice vouchers. Applications can be submitted online July 14 - 18th. 3,000 applications will be placed on the waitlist.
 - Godwin Higa thanked Task Force Members for the work they have engaged in.
 - Christina Simmons provided an update on Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health events coming up. DC:0 to 5 training for clinicians on August 6 & 7th. The Association of Infant Mental Health is facilitating this. Please go to their website for additional information. Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Summit will be on August 8th. These are free events.

V. Vote to Enact: Task Force 2025 Recommendation Report Addendum

- The 2025 Recommendation Report Addendum was reviewed. The Addendum documents ongoing progress and updated recommendations from the Task Force from January 2025 - present. No changes requested.
 - *Please see*
<https://health.hawaii.gov/traumainformed/2025-meeting-materials/> for complete document.
 - Judith Clark moved to approve the 2025 Recommendation Report Addendum. Dr. Evan Reppun Beachy seconded the motion. All

members voted to approve. 2025 Recommendation Report Addendum approved.

VI. Reflections of the TIC Task Force Journey

- Please see <https://health.hawaii.gov/traumainformed/2025-meeting-materials/> for complete slide deck.
- Task Force Co-Facilitator Ashley Petitt provided a presentation reviewing the key highlights of the TIC Task Force from establishment to present time, including:
 - Establishment of the TIC Task Force in September 2021
 - The Task Force has held 45 TIF Task Force Meetings, with a total of 177 community members in attendance, representing 38 different community agencies and departments.
 - 16 guest Speakers have presented on a variety of topics
 - 12 Permitted Interaction Groups have operated and submitted findings. 87 people participated in these groups.
 - The TIC Task Force supported the creation of the Office of Wellness & Resilience in January 2023
 - The inaugural TIC TF Recommendation Report was submitted in 2023 and 2 Addendums have been submitted since.
 - In 2024, Hawai‘i Governor Green signed Executive Order 24-01 that Hawai‘i is moving toward becoming a Trauma-Informed State.
 - Mahalos were offered to all who participated
- Task Force Members were invited to share reflections on how participation in the TIC Task Force has impacted them.
 - Bridgette Bennett, Judith Clark, Dr. Evan Beachy, Josie Howard, Dr. Jillian Freitas shared their experiences and appreciation.
- Community Members were invited to share reflections on how participation in the TIC Task Force has impacted them.
 - Danielle Carreira Ching, PhD student at Hawai‘i Pacific University and Research Assistant at Baker’s Center for Children and Families shared experiences and appreciation.
 - Tia Hartsock, Director of Office of Wellness and Resilience (OWR) and former Chairperson of the TIC Task Force; and Deputy Director of OWR shared their experiences.

VII. Presentation on Mattering by TIC Task Force Chairperson Dr. Scott Shimabukuro

- Chairperson Dr. Scott Shimabukuro provided a presentation reinforcing how each of us matter and encouraging us to ensure that others know they matter as well.

VIII. Closing Remarks

- Community Members were invited to join the potluck following the meeting adjournment.
- Chairperson Dr. Scott Shimabukuro adjourned the meeting.