



KŌKUA MAU

"Continuous Care"

Hawai'i Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

June Newsletter

Dear Jeannette

There are several interesting networking and learning opportunities coming up and we hope you can join us.

"What's on your mind about hospice and palliative care?"

Open discussion forum

Thursday, June 20th

5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Laulima Women's House

1802 Keeaumoku St, Honolulu

Anyone interested in hospice and palliative care is welcome. Participants have found the discussions rich and rewarding. The gathering will be casual potluck style. **RSVP or just drop in!** For more information, email Leanne Logan leannebeth54@hotmail.com or Pat Nishimoto patricia.w.nishimoto.civ@mail.mil

Park at the Catholic Charities parking lot next door to Laulima Women's House. Please do **NOT park in 'Reserved'** spots. Parking passes will be distributed at the event. A small donation is requested to cover parking.

Thurs 6/27 Kokua Mau meeting with Angelo Volandes

Please put the next monthly [Kokua Mau](#) on your calendar. Our **special guest** will be **Dr. Angelo Volandes**, creator of the ACP Decisions Videos. This will be a great chance to share experiences of how you are using ACP Videos and for those who have yet to start using them, you can listen to others stories to get you going. Please note: we will be **meeting at 4pm to accommodate Dr. Volandes' schedule.**

Thursday, June 27

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4PM to 6PM

Room 224

Weinberg Building at
St. Francis Healthcare System of Hawaii
2226 Liliha Street

Please let [Jeannette](#) know if you have updates or would like to be added to the agenda.

Next Month: please join us Wed. July 24 for our next Kokua Mau meeting when our special guest will be **Lani Maxera, POLST coordinator for California**. Lani has agreed to come and speak with us during her vacation and will be presenting about how their state engages on POLST. They have 27 regional POLST committees, a physician champion group and education around the state. Lani is also interested in how we are using POLST and looks forward to talking with us. Hope you can join us.

Please note the 7/24 Meeting will be on **Wednesday** instead of **Thursday** from 3-5pm.

For directions and parking information [check our website](#)

Fri 6/28 Improving Care for Veterans Facing Illness and Death

REPEAT PERFORMANCE:

There was so much interest in this year's Hospice Foundation of America teleconference that there will be a repeat viewing on June 28 from 9 am-1 pm HST. This presentation focuses on caring for veteran's and covers a number of interesting and useful topics concerning veterans and end-of-life concerns. Over 10% of Hawaii residents are veterans and many facilities and organizations are caring for them.

The teleconference will be held at the
3rd Floor Conference Room of the
Spark M. Matsunaga Ambulatory Care Clinic
459 Patterson Road, Bldg 111
Honolulu, HI 96819.

This is a free event; no registration fee but only limited seating is available. **Please RSVP by June 21** to [Janelle Miyashiro](#) Interim VA Hospice and Palliative Care Coordinator or call 808-433-7676.

Note: Attendees are required to stay for the full presentation and expert panel discussion to be eligible for CEs. [Details and flyer](#) with further information on speakers is on our website

Parking will be limited, so carpooling is encouraged. All cars without a Tripler parking sticker will have to check in after passing the sentry gate

and a free day pass will be issued. Please allow extra time for this.

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8/9 2013 Bioethics Conference

The 2013 International Bioethics Conference entitled, "**Caring for Our Kupuna (elders): Balancing Human Dignity and Economics**" will be held:

Friday, August 9, 2013 at the **Sheraton Waikiki** Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii.

- Click here for the [Conference Brochure](#).

Dr. Faith Fitzgerald will return with her fabulous storytelling presentation. Dr. Jing Jih Chin will share on how the Asian countries are ethically managing their elderly. In addition, they are bringing Timothy T. Taylor, an economics professor to explain in layman's terms how we will manage escalating medical costs.

Register before July 15 for the early bird special of \$100.00. For further information contact [Katherine Korenaga](#), Ethics & Education Coordinator, St. Francis Healthcare System or call (808) 547-8126.

8/16 A Remembering Walk

Breathe in Nature: A morning of connection, grief awareness and nature walk. Family members throughout Oahu will gather together to share reminisce and support each other and take in Hawaii's natural beauty.

A Remembering Walk

9:30 - 11:30 am

Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden
45-680 Luluku Road, Kaneohe

Sponsored by St. Francis Bereavement Services. Please RSVP to [Luisa Wyant](#) or call 808-547-8147.

Kōkua Mau Cool Stuff

Announcing a Statewide Palliative and Hospice Training (S-PHC) Program

A grant from the HMSA Foundation provided funding for a collaborative partnership with Kōkua Mau, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation and UH Mānoa Nursing to benefit long-term care and hospice patients statewide. The goal of the training program is to provide a broad foundation of knowledge in palliative and hospice care focused on delivering quality patient and family-centered care to long-term and hospice patients. [More on our website.](#)

ACP Decision Videos Article

You may remember the presentations of Dr. Volandes in October last year. Since then a lot has happened in getting the Advance Care Planning videos to Hawai'i and we will have a longer update soon.

For those of you interested in the making of ACP Decision videos, you might want to read the article on Dr. Angelo Volandes in Atlantic Magazine's May 2013 issue. Witten by Jonathan Rauch it is titled: "[How Not to Die](#) - Angelo Volandes's low-tech, high-empathy plan to revolutionize end-of-life care". Currently the article is [available on-line for free](#).

See you soon!

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