



# KŌKUA MAU

“Continuous Care”

Hawai‘i Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

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## Kokua Mau Newsletter

Greetings!

Happy 2012 and may the new year bring wonderful things to us all!

With the new year we wanted to ask you to join or renew your Kokua Mau membership. Individual and organizational membership is crucial to the sustainability of Kokua Mau and helping us carry out our mission across the state.

Details about joining can be found on the side bar of this newsletter or [on our website](#). We welcome organizational membership and appreciate any suggestions you have for organizations that might want to support Kokua Mau's mission and vision. All members are honored on the [Kokua Mau website](#) (unless you tell us otherwise, of course). Please contact [Jeannette](#) with any questions and thank you for your support.

And to remind you,

Kokua Mau's *vision* is a community where: the people of Hawaii are treated with dignity, compassion and love throughout their lives.

To make that vision a reality, Kokua Mau's *mission* is: to weave a lei of caregiving and support so that the people of Hawaii facing serious illness can live in the place of their choice, with relief of pain and suffering and according to their values, beliefs and traditions.

**Palliative Pupus - Wed. Jan. 18, 2012**

### Topics

Palliative Pupus  
KM Monthly meeting  
Kübler-Ross  
2nd Annual Grief Conf  
Buddhist Symposium

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The next Palliative Pupus will be held on **Wed. Jan. 18** from 5:15 to 7:00pm at the Queen's Conference Center.

This month's case will focus on transitions in care and the challenges of when a case doesn't go the way we hope it might. An interdisciplinary group will present one family's journey through multiple hospitals and hospice. Likely points of discussion will include the challenges of caring for terminally ill teenagers, cultural influences on treatment preferences, and medically ineffective or "futile" care. Please join us.

## **Kokua Mau Meeting Thurs. Jan. 26, 2012**

The next Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting will feature **John Grant** from the **Executive Office on Aging** who will be presenting about the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) including the program to reduce hospital readmissions. Elizabeth Bethea, County Executive on Aging, Elderly Affairs Division, will join us as well to talk about her experiences with this program. This is a new resource that will hopefully be of benefit to those you care for.

## **Thurs. Feb. 2, 2012 - Beyond Kübler-Ross**

### **Beyond Kübler-Ross: New Perspectives on Death, Dying and Grief**

Thursday Feb 2, 2012, 9:00 am -12 noon  
Queen's Conference Center RM 203  
Corner of Punchbowl and Beretania, Honolulu, HI  
Attendance is free.

The room holds 40 people so please register with: [Julia Joyce](#) to determine if a bigger room might be needed. For more information and CE [please visit our website](#).

## **Fri. Feb 24, Grief, Hope, Joy and Beyond**

8 a.m.-5 p.m., Ko'olau Ballrooms, Kaneohe

Attend the second [St. Francis Hospice Grief Conference](#) in Hawaii and discover ways to transform grief and embrace life after loss.

Featuring national speakers: SARK, best-selling author and artist; Allen Klein, therapeutic humor expert; and Michael Wall, educator and author.

Local panelists: include Jerry Coffee, Institute for Human Services; Blossom Fonoimoana, Bobby Benson Center; and Su Shen Atta, Parents and Children Together.

For more information, call Luisa C.O. Wyant at 808-547-8147 (more information and [flyer on our website](#))

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**Save the Date: March 9-10, 2012**

**Wisdom & Compassion At the End of Life:  
A Buddhist Symposium**

Friday March 9 & Saturday March 10, 2012  
Honpa Hongwanji Hawaii Betsuin, Annex Temple  
1727 Pali Highway, Honolulu

Please [visit our website for a tentative schedule](#) and more information.

Best wishes for a brand new 2012!!

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