# Palliative Care - Key Resources for Hawaiii



What is Palliative Care? Palliative care is specialized medical care for people with serious illnesses. This type of care is focused on providing patients with relief from the symptoms, pain, and stress of a serious illness - whatever the diagnosis.

Hawai'i Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

808-856-8989

The goal is to improve quality of life for both the patient and the family. Palliative care is provided by a team of doctors, nurses, and other specialists who work with a patient's other doctors to provide an extra layer of support. Palliative care is appropriate at any age and at any stage in a serious illness, and can be provided together with curative treatment.

What is Hospice Care? Hospice is a type of palliative care offered in the last six months of life and focuses on caring, not curing. In most cases, care is provided in the patient's home by an interdisciplinary team but also provided in in-patient and long-term care facilities. Hospice is covered under Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurance plans and is provided on all islands. For more definitions of important terms, visit www.kokuamau.org/resources/definitions

### **HOSPICE**

Oʻahu:		Island of Hawaiʻi:	
Bristol Hospice	808-536-8012	Hospice of Hilo:	808-969-1733
Hospice Hawai'i	808-924-9255	Hospice of Kona:	808-324-7700
Islands Hospice:	808-550-2552	North Hawai'i Hospice:	808-885-7547
St. Francis Hospice:	808-595-7566	Kaua'i Hospice:	808-245-7277
Veterans Administration	808-433-7676	Maui:	
Hospice Hawai'i – Lana'i:	808-565-6777	Hospice Maui:	808-244-5555

Islands Hospice

#### PALLIATIVE CARE

#### Hospital-based (Inpatient) Palliative Care Programs

- Castle Medical Center 808-263-5253
- Kaiser Permanente 808-432-7100

Hospice Hawai'i – **Moloka'i**: 808-553-4310

- Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children 808-983-6000
- Maui Memorial Medical Center. Palliative Care Coordinator 808-442-5801
- North Hawaii Community Hospital 808-881-4699
- Pali Momi Medical Center 808-486-6000
- Straub Hospital and Clinic 808-522-4000
- The Queen's Medical Center 808-691-4726
- Wilcox Memorial Hospital (Kaua'i) 808-245-1100

### Community-Based (Outpatient) Palliative Care Programs

- Hawai'i Palliative Care, East Hawai'i Island 808-969-1733
- HMSA Case Management Program 808-944-7017 or 855-211-4527
- Kōkua Kalihi Valley Home-Based Palliative Care Services 791-9410 (Kalihi Valley residents)
- Palliative Medicine Partners, Lihu'e, Kaua'i 808-346-0455 or 645-0015
- St. Francis Hospice Palliative Care 808-547-8068
- UHA Health Insurance Comfort Care 808-532-4006 or 1-800-458-4600

Palliative care covers a variety of services for people and their caregivers to help relieve suffering. These lists cover resources across the palliative care continuum. To keep these as up to date as possible, there are pdf files that are easy to print and put in a binder. The same listing of the palliative care resources in this PDF files is at: www.kokuamau.org/services/caregiving

Grief and Bereavement Support (pdf 11 pages): The Bereavement Network of Hawaii maintains a comprehensive, constantly updated list of support groups and services in Hawai'i. Visit the Kōkua Mau Website for the Bereavement Support List as a PDF file.

Please click on the topic to access the PDF file (you need to be connected to the Internet to use this feature within this PDF file). Or go to: www.kokuamau.org/services/caregiving

## **Advance Care Planning:**

**A) Advance Directives:** An advance directive is a written statement about your future medical care where you can appoint a healthcare power of attorney who can speak for you if you can no longer speak yourself. It is recommended that everyone complete an Advance Directive.

- Kōkua Mau's Advance Directive page: www.kokuamau.org/resources/advance-directives
- UH Elder Law: www.hawaii.edu/uhelp

**B) What is POLST?** POLST (Provider Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment) is a provider's order that gives patients more control over their end-of-life care. It specifies the types of treatments that a patient wishes to receive towards the end of life. Completing a POLST form encourages communication between healthcare providers and patients, enabling patients to make more informed decisions. The POLST form documents those decisions in a clear manner and can be quickly understood by all providers, including first responders and emergency medical services (EMS) personnel. As a result, the patient's wishes can be honored across all settings of care. More information, including the POLST form, can be found at: www.kokuamau.org/polst

**Overnight Respite** (pdf 2 pages): Out of home overnight care facilities provide non-medical care for frail seniors in need of supervision, personal services, protection, assistance and guidance.

**In Home Respite** (pdf 3 pages): Temporary relief for caregivers provided in the home.

**Other Respite Services** (pdf 6 pages): This section lists other providers of temporary relief for caregivers, including overnight stays in facilities, in-home assistance, and may include housekeeping, shopping, and errands. Home health agencies provide skilled nursing services and other therapeutic services ordered by a physician to homebound patients.

**Adult Day Care & Day Health** (pdf 6 pages): Provides care outside the home. Participants have the opportunity to interact with others while being part of a safe and structured environment.

**Support Groups in Hawaii** (pdf 7 pages): Support groups on all islands for a variety of health issues, including those with a caregiver focus. Call for meeting details.

Cancer Support Groups in Hawaii (pdf 5 pages): Covers all islands. Call for meeting details.

**Family History Compilers** (pdf 2 pages): Create a visual personal biography and preserve your family mementos using photos and film.

**Mortuaries in Hawaii:** Please consult the list of the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Hawaii's extensive website.

### Other Web Resources:

Hawaii Aging & Disability Resource Center website: www.hawaiiadrc.org
Executive Office on Aging in Honolulu: 808-586-0100 www.health.hawaii.gov/eoa
Honolulu City and County's Elderly Affairs Division: 808-768-7700 www.elderlyaffairs.com
Office on Aging - County of Maui: 808-270-7774 www.mauicountyadrc.org
The County of Kauai Agency on Elderly Affairs (AEA): 808-241-4470 www.kauaiadrc.org
Hawaii County Office of Aging: Hilo: 808-961-8626 Kona: 808-323-4390 www.hcoahawaii.org

Please note: The list was compiled and updated by Kōkua Mau as a community service July 2014. Please call the number listed to find out details about the specific group or program. We need your help to maintain this list: Please send any additions or edits to: info@kokuamau.org. For additional resources, visit: http://www.kokuamau.org/services/caregiving.