



KŌKUA MAU

“Continuous Care”

Hawai‘i Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

Kōkua Mau Newsletter

June 2012

Dear Markus

Congratulations to Hospice of Hilo!

Their brand new Weinberg Inpatient Facility is set for its grand opening on June 22, 2012! This is the first inpatient facility on Hawai'i Island and represents an incredible community-wide effort. [See their website for more information.](#) Congratulations to everyone!!

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Help us meet our ambitious goal:

**100 Kōkua Mau members
for 2012!**

We have listened to your feedback. We are offering the Stakeholder KM [Membership](#) for 2012 starting at \$40 (\$25 for students or persons in training) per year.

Of course, we are grateful if you can join as a [Sustainer](#) at \$100 or more to help us reach our financial goals more quickly. And yes - it is tax-deductible.

Membership is the backbone of Kōkua Mau's budget and helps

Sat. June 23: Journey Together: Cancer Survivorship Conference 2012

The Hawai'i Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition's **Journey Together** is a cancer survivorship conference that focuses on issues important to cancer survivors and their caregivers.

Saturday, June 23, 2012

Registration 8 am - 9 am; Conference 9 am - 3 pm

Hilton Hawaiian Village, Mid-Pacific Conference Center

Registration Fee: \$25 will include continental breakfast, lunch, and fully validated parking. Scholarships for Neighbor Island travel and fees are available.

[Online Registration](#)

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Carolyn Gotay

A variety of speakers will share their expertise on topics such as physical activity, nutrition, genetics, long-term effects, fear of recurrence, sexuality, finance issues, research & ethics, social support, spirituality, caregiving, breast, lung, colorectal and prostate cancer, acupuncture and complementary and alternative therapy. Attendees can meet, support, and share hope with others like themselves, as well as learn about services offered by various cancer organizations.

Flyer, exhibitor form, and more [information on our website](#)

6/26 Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting

Thursday June 26

3 PM to 5PM

Conference Room 224 of the Weinberg Building at **St. Francis Healthcare System** of Hawaii,
2226 Liliha Street

Parking is validated. [More on the website.](#)

Come and join us at the next Kokua Mau meeting. Kokua Mau member and local author **Lani Leary, PhD** will be presenting about her work. She will share with us her recently published book: *No One Has To Die Alone - Preparing for a Meaningful Death*. Lani is a psychotherapist and professor of death studies. She has written an "extraordinarily clear-eyed and helpful guide for those who must care for a dying loved one, an almost unavoidable and challenging situation." Learn more about the book or watch her TEDx talk [on Lani's website](#). All are welcome.

Educational Summit on 'Olelo in June

us to be a financially sustainable organization. Just follow the steps outlined on our [website](#).

We especially encourage organizations to join. If you have recommendations of organizations who might want to support Kōkua Mau's [Vision and Mission](#), please let us know. A personal introduction from somebody they know well is always best.

Our Members

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A big thank you to our wonderful volunteers that made this possible!

The Kōkua Mau Educational Summit from November 2011 will be airing on 'Ōlelo Community Media at the end of June. Since the Summit was a day-long event it has been broken down into four segments for TV. For a complete listing with topics and speakers, please [download the PDF](#).

Kōkua Mau Educational Summit: Part 1 (2 hrs)

CONTENT: Welcome chant and Opening. Palliative Care: A Tool for Transformation. Case Study: You call this a system? How does a seriously ill person navigate through the healthcare systems.

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Kōkua Mau Educational Summit: Part 2 (1 hr 18 min)

HMSA's New Pay for Quality Hospital Programs. Kōkua Mau and the evolution of hospice and palliative care in Hawaii. Current Initiatives in Hawaii - We have reached the tipping point.

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Kōkua Mau Educational Summit: Part 3 (1 hr 48 min)

POLST - Overview and basics of POLST. Administrative Track - HMSA Quality Improvement Project - A chance for representatives from different hospitals to exchange experiences about the end-of-life portion of the Quality Improvement project.

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Kōkua Mau Educational Summit: Part 4 (1 hr)

Content: The Hidden Wholeness. Clarence Liu, Pacific Health Ministries. What happens next? Opportunities for collaboration.

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Sept. 10-11, 2012 "Transforming Hawaii's Aging Future: Innovate, Integrate, & Invigorate"

17th Biennial Conference

Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort and Spa, Tapa Tower
Honolulu, HI

This year the Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society (HPGS) is collaborating with the Pacific Islands Geriatric Education Center and the Hawaii Medical Directors Association to feature a special long-term care segment.

The keynote speakers for the two-day conference are local-born Dr. Jeanette Takamura, former Assistant Secretary on Aging at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and current Dean of Columbia University's School of Social Work, and Dr. Patricia Blanchette, renowned geriatrician and professor at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine. [Flyer on our website.](#)

- Currently seeking exhibitors. Exhibitor application deadline is June 29, 2012.
- Registration will be available in June 2012.
- Please visit the HPGS website: www.hpgs.org for the latest conference information.

For conference questions, please contact Shannon Miyazaki, Conference Chair, at 808-833-8880 or shannon@plazaassistedliving.com.

- - Reminders from past newsletters: - -

Tuesday Family Caregiver Classes

Tuesday Mornings, April 3 to June 26. [More on our website](#)
Potential topics [in their flyer](#).

2012 Aging and Disabilities Issues Booklet

The 2012 Aging and Disabilities Issues booklet is now available ([Download PDF file](#)). The seventh annual publication offers an overview of legislative issues dealing with aging, disability, caregiving, and long-term supports and services. The purpose is to call attention to the priority issues which deserve the serious attention of our lawmakers, advocates, and the public.

This is a joint project of the Hawai'i Family Caregiver Coalition, the Hawai'i Pacific Gerontological Society, and the Maui County Office on Aging. The booklet was distributed to legislators in March 2012 during a Family Caregiver Advocacy Day.

I hope you can make it to the next Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting.

Jeannette Kojane
Executive Director

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