



# KŌKUA MAU

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Hawai'i Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

November 9, 2011

## Kokua Mau Newsletter

Educational Summit Registration and Program

The Educational Summit is finally here. After much work and preparation, we will be meeting tomorrow at Queen's Conference Center. We will also be accepting on-site registration in case you find you have the time. Please notice that there are several other events coming up including on event honoring Veterans on Nov. 15 and Palliative Pupus, a clinical case discussion, on November 16.

### TRANSFORMATION:

Enhancing care  
Containing cost  
Maximizing satisfaction

[Online registration](#) for the fabulous Kokua Mau Educational Summit is still available. Please visit our website for [program information](#), [Speaker Bios](#), and more. We have also gotten a very supportive letter from [Gov. Abercrombie](#).

**November 10, 2011**

8:30am - 5:00pm (Registration at 7:45am)

Queen's Conference Center

### Description:

Chronic and terminal illness is the leading challenge for health care

### Topics

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today in terms of quality, cost, and satisfaction. Our goal is to bring together individuals and organizations with the shared passion for creating opportunities to transform health care and reduce suffering for the seriously ill in Hawaii. This will be a day of learning, networking, strategy sessions, and new opportunities.

### Who should attend?

People caring for those who are seriously ill and those who need to understand the issues they are facing. This includes health care executives, administrators, legislators, doctors, nurses, social workers, case managers, chaplains and family care givers.

**Register now [on-line](#)** (direct link)  
\$85 Summit registration fee

Registration for the educational summit is only offered on-line and we will not have printed registration forms. Everyone who registered should have received 2 emails giving updates on parking and downloading materials. There will be on-site registration as well.

We have created a dedicated webpage for our educational summit:  
[www.kokuamau.org/summit](http://www.kokuamau.org/summit)

Please email us with questions at [summit@kokuamau.org](mailto:summit@kokuamau.org).

### Special Community Presentation by Ira Byock, M.D.

Thursday, November 10, 2011, 6:30 p.m.

Oahu Country Club - Nuuanu Ballroom, RSVP by October 31, 2011

Hospice Hawaii welcomes Ira Byock, M.D. for a special presentation on the evening of Thursday, November 10, 2011 at the Oahu Country Club. Dr. Byock is a nationally recognized physician, author and advocate for end-of-life care and has been involved in hospice and palliative care since 1978. He is currently the director of Palliative Medicine at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, New Hampshire and a professor at Dartmouth Medical School. The presentation is titled Giving and Getting "The Best Care Possible" Through the End of Life and will be open to the public. To reserve your complimentary seat call 808-924-9255.

### Mission Possible: Operation Palliation

Registration is now closed for the highly respected Queen's Medical Center's Pain and Palliative Care Conference November 11. This is the 10th year of the meeting and full details can be found on our [calendar](#) or by calling 691-7009.

There is a new venue for this event at the Laniakea YWCA, Fullerton Hall, Richards Street. Registrants will get full details, including parking information from Queen's Medical Center.

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## **Tues. Nov. 15 Honoring Veterans**

In observance of Veterans Day and National Hospice and Palliative Care Month, please join us in a Celebration of Life Memorial Service. 11am, Oahu Veterans Center, 1298 Kukila St, Honolulu. Experience a day to remember and honor your loved ones with beautiful music, a heart-warming memorial service and amazing bird release ceremony. Lunch is provided. Questions? Call 536-8012 or email April at [amoses@bristolhospice.com](mailto:amoses@bristolhospice.com)

## **Wed. Nov. 16 Palliative Pupus**

Everyone is invited to our [bi-monthly clinical discussions](#) at Queen's Conference Center, 5:15-7:00pm. This month's discussion will focus on withholding and withdrawing treatment and will feature a case presentation followed by lots of time for discussion. This is a potluck so please bring something to share.

## **Thur. December 1 Kokua Mau Meeting**

[Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting](#) is usually held on the last Thursday of every month from 3-5pm at St. Francis. These meetings are open to anybody interested in our work and all are welcome. Please contact [Jeannette](#) for more details. The November and December meeting will be held on December 1 due to holidays at the end of both months.

## **2 excellent articles on pain and palliative care by Kokua Mau members**

Congratulations to Christie Bell and Daniel Fischberg for 2 articles that appeared this month on ethnic differences in pain and palliative care services. These studies show that pain and palliative care is utilized by all ethnic groups here in Hawaii.

Hospice Referrals and Code Status: Outcomes of Inpatient Palliative Care Consultations Among Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders With Cancer. Christina L. Bell, MD, MSc, Meiko Kuriya, MD, Daniel Fischberg, MD, PhD. Journal of Pain and Symptom Management Volume 42, Issue 4, Pages 557-564, October 2011  
Link to the [abstract](#)

Pain Outcomes of Inpatient Pain and Palliative Care Consultations: Differences by Race and Diagnosis. Christina L. Bell, Meiko Kuriya, and Daniel Fischberg. Journal of Palliative Medicine. October 2011, 14(10): 1142-1148. doi:10.1089/jpm.2011.0176.  
Link to the [abstract](#)

Best wishes and hope to see you at our educational summit

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