Kōkua Mau eNewsletter

March 2013

Dear Jeannette

We have great news: Our own Dr. Daniel Fischberg, Kōkua Mau Board Member, will be presented the Holman Distinguished Service Award from The American Academy of Hospice & Palliative Medicine (AAHPM) on Friday, March 15 in New Orleans. Dr. Fischberg is the Medical Director for the Pain and Palliative Care Program at Queen's and serves as the Chief of the Division of Palliative Medicine and a Professor in the Department of Geriatric Medicine at the John A. Burns School of Medicine.

The award recognizes outstanding and dedicated service to the Academy of Hospice & Palliative Medicine. The award is presented to an individual that has advanced the mission of the AAHPM in a significant and lasting way. Congratulations Daniel!!

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Wed. 3/20 Palliative Pupus
We hope you can join us for **Palliative Pupus** on March 20th.

Participate in another lively interdisciplinary discussion. This month’s case will be announced in a special reminder one week prior to the event.

**Wed. March 20**
5:15 PM - 7:00 pm
Queen’s Conference Center, Room 200

**Wed. 3/27 REACH Intervention**

Learn about the REACH Intervention, a program designed to reduce caregiver burden and improve or sustain caregiver physical and emotional health.

Valorie Taylor, Child and Family Service (CFS) will speak about the Implementation of the RCI REACH program into CFS’s Caregiver Programs.

Wednesday, March 27, 2013
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
15 Craigside, Top Floor
15 Craigside Place, Honolulu, HI 96817

Please RSVP by **Monday, March 13**, 2013 to Felicia Marquez Wong or Valorie Taylor.

Child and Family Service is pleased to have received a grant from the Rosalyn Carter Institute to implement the RCI-REACH program. They are one of 5 agencies that was awarded this national grant. More on our website.

**Thur. 3/28 Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting**

Please join us for the **Monthly Kokua Mau** meeting. This month our special guest is Michelle Cantillo, Advance Care Planning Coordinator (ACP) Coordinator for Hawaii Pacific Health (HPH) who will be talking about their program over the last two years. They have made great strides in increasing advance directive and POLST completion as well as integrating advance care planning throughout the hospitals of HPH and in long term care facilities they collaborate with. This will be a very interesting presentation. We will also have updates from other projects and happenings around Hawaii.

**Thursday, March. 28**
3PM to 5PM
Conference Room 224
Weinberg Building at
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

Starting with this issue we will try to keep our newsletter text blocks as short as possible to increase quick readability. Instead of more text we will provide a link to more information on a website.

Save the date: May 5. Palliative Care Setting the Stage - Kauai

Saturday, May 4, 2013
8:00a.m. - 5:30p.m.
Kaua`i Marriott Resort
Lihu`e, Hawai`i

A full day educational conference on palliative medicine. For more details and the updated agenda please visit our website.

Continental breakfast and buffet lunch will be included in the cost of $45 per Doctor and $35 for Nurses, Medical Social Workers, and Medical Chaplains.

For early registration call 808-245-7277. Visa or Mastercard accepted. Or mail check payable to Kauai Hospice, 4457 Pahee St., Lihue, Hawaii, 96766.

Reminders from past eNewsletters

2 Courses: The ExCEL in Social Work
The ExCEL in Social Work: Excellence in Cancer Education & Leadership program will have 2 courses Minneapolis, MN May 13-14, and San Diego, CA June 3-4 in 2013. Choose one and apply now, it's free! More on the ExCEL website

See you soon!

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