Palliative Pupus

Dear Jeannette

You are invited to join us on **Wed. May 15th for Palliative Pupus**, our exciting local networking and clinical education opportunity. If you are involved with palliative care cases or what like to learn what palliative care actually is, you are invited. Please bring some pupus to share.

**This month will feature cases** from the cutting edge of hospice and palliative care. We will hear about successful upstreaming of access to hospice and palliative care in the Queen’s Medical Center Emergency Department.

**Wed. May 15**
**5:15 PM to 7:00 PM**
The Queens Conference Center (QCC)
Room 200
510 S. Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

[Details on parking on our website](#)

**Thur. 5/30 Kokua Mau Monthly Meeting**

We hope you can join us for the **May Kokua Mau** meeting. (Yes, there are 5 Thursdays this month and the meeting is on the **last Thursday of the month**)

**Thursday, May 30th**
**3PM to 5PM**
**Conference Room 224**
Weinberg Building at
In May 2013 our special guest presenter will be Tracy Wiltgen from the Kupuna Pono Program.

Kupuna Pono is a program designed to help families talk about difficult issues and develop plans to support elderly family members. This is a program of the Mediation Program of the Pacific. In additions, there will be updates from the ACP Decisions videos, the supportive care pilot with HMSA, POLST legislation, and other activities in Hawaii. Please let Jeannette know if you have updates or would like to be added to the agenda.

For directions and parking information check our website

**Thur. 5/23 & 6/7 Share the Care Training**

There is still room in a full-day Professional Training on THE SHARE THE CARE™ Group Caregiving Model (Limited to 50 participants). This one-day SHARE THE CARE™ training will provide you with the information and tools you need to introduce the model to help family caregivers.

This program is funded by the VA Pacific Island Healthcare System. No commercial support was received for this Event.

May 23rd, 2013 or June 7th, 2013
8:00am to 4:30pm
Oahu Veterans Center - 1298 Kukila Street
Honolulu, HI 96818
Registration-sign in, Training begins promptly!

To Register call Joan Foley at 284-5823 or e-mail.
If you email, please specify whether you request vegetarian for the provided lunch.

More information, Directions & Map on the flyer on our website.

**8/9 2013 Bioethics Conference**

The 2013 International Bioethics Conference entitled, "Caring for Our Kupuna (elders): Balancing Human Dignity and Economics" will be held:

Friday, August 9, 2013 at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii.
Dr. Faith Fitzgerald will return with her fabulous storytelling presentation. Dr. Jing Jih Chin will share on how the Asian countries are ethically managing their elderly. In addition, they are bringing Timothy T. Taylor, an economics professor to explain in layman's terms how we will manage escalating medical costs.

Register Before July 15 for the early bird special of $100.00. For further information contact Katherine Korenaga, Ethics & Education Coordinator, St. Francis Healthcare System or call (808) 547-8126.

8/16 A Remembering Walk

Breathe in Nature: A morning of connection, grief awareness and nature walk. Family members throughout Oahu will gather together to share reminisce and support each other and take in Hawaii's natural beauty.

A Remembering Walk
9:30 - 11:30 am
Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden
45-680 Luluku Road, Kaneohe

Sponsored by St. Francis Bereavement Services. Please RSVP to Luisa Wyant or call 808-547-8147.

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5/6 to 5/23 Oncology on Canvas Art Exhibit  
Honolulu Hale

The paintings will be displayed at Honolulu Hale May 6-23. Honolulu Hale is only open Monday through Fridays during the day hours.

Pat Nishimoto, Oncology Nurse Specialist at Tripler and Kokua Mau member invites us: To come and see the amazing art work done by our patients, their families and the staff about their 'cancer journeys.'

Fri 5/31 Improving Care for Veterans Facing Illness and Death

A presentation of this year’s Hospice Foundation of America teleconference will be shown on May 31 from 9 am-12 pm HST and will address care for veterans.

The teleconference will be held at the  
3rd Floor Conference Room of the 
Spark M. Matsunaga Ambulatory Care Clinic  
459 Patterson Road, Bldg 111  
Honolulu, HI 96819.

This is a free event; no registration fee but only limited seating is available. Please RSVP by May 20th to Janelle Miyashiro Interim VA Hospice and Palliative Care Coordinator or call 808-433-7676.

Note: Attendees are required to stay for the full presentation and expert panel discussion to be eligible for CEs. Details and flyer with further information on speakers is on our website

Parking will be limited, so carpooling is encouraged. All cars without a Tripler parking sticker will have to check in after passing the sentry gate and a free day pass will be issued. Please allow extra time for this.

ACP Decision Videos

You may remember the presentations of Dr. Volandes in October last year. Since then a lot has happened in getting the Advance Care Planning videos to Hawai‘i and we will have a longer update soon.

For those of you interested in the making of ACP Decision videos, you might want to read the article on Dr. Angelo Volandes in Atlantic Magazine's May 2013 issue. Witten by Jonathan Rauch it is titled: "How Not to Die" - Angelo Volandes's low-tech, high-empathy plan to revolutionize end-of-life care". Currently the article is available on-line for free.
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.

See you soon!

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