January 16, 2019

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,  
President and Members of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker  
and Members of the House of  
Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the annual report: Implementation of the State Plan, Section 333E-3(5) by the Hawaii State Council on Developmental.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at:


Sincerely,

Bruce S. Anderson, Ph.D.  
Director of Health

Enclosures
REPORT TO THE TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

STATE OF HAWAII

2018

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 333E-3(5) PREPARE AND SUBMIT REPORTS TO THE GOVERNOR, THE LEGISLATURE, AND ALL CONCERNED DEPARTMENT HEADS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE PLAN

PREPARED BY:
STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
January 2019
Estimated Number of Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) in Hawaii

The estimated number of individuals with IDD in Hawai‘i is calculated using the population estimate and the prevalence of IDD. According to the U.S. Census Bureau for July 1, 2017, the estimated population for Hawai‘i was 1,427,538. Based on the National Health Interview Survey in 1994 and 1995, the prevalence of IDD is 1.49 percent. (Larson SA, Lakin KC, Anderson L, Kwak N. Lee JH, Anderson D, 2001)

For Hawai‘i the estimated number of persons with IDD is 21,270.

Developmental Disability

Public Law 106-402 – Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000. (A) IN GENERAL.—the term “developmental disability” means a severe, chronic disability of an individual that—
(i) is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;
(ii) is manifested before the individual attains age 22; (iii) is likely to continue indefinitely; (iv) results in substantial functional limitations in 3 or more of the following areas of major life activity:  (I) Self-care. (II) Receptive and expressive language. (III) Learning. (IV) Mobility. (V) Self-direction. (VI) Capacity for independent living. (VII) Economic self-sufficiency; and (v) reflects the individual’s need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic services, and assistance for a life time.
Mission Statement
The mission of the Council is to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to control their own destiny and determine the quality of life they desire.

Vision Statement
People with intellectual and developmental disabilities are treated equal to all persons and enjoy fundamental human rights, among them life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. They have choices about where they live, work, play, and pursue their spiritual beliefs, and they receive the supports they need to do so.

Implementation Statement
To this end, the Council will:
- Work for self-determination and equal access under the law.
- Advocate for systems change and social justice.
- Provide information, education, and planning.
- Serve as conscience/monitor of the State.
- Promote and model best practices.

Self-Advocacy Network
The State Legislature, through Act 213, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, appropriated funds to establish and support a statewide self-advocacy network for persons with developmental disabilities (DD). The Hawaii Self-Advocacy Advisory Council (SAAC) is a group of self-advocate leaders with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are actively engaged in their community to address the concerns and needs of their peers throughout the State. SAAC activities include:
- Establishing leadership skills and activities to maintain SAAC as a non-profit organization.
- Connecting to local communities to provide education, training, and community service.
- Producing field tested advocacy tools, publications, webinars, and videos.
- Participating on task forces, committees, and boards on every island.
- Securing guest speakers and trainers to address topics, such as civic engagement, employment, healthy living, housing, leadership, personal rights, and self-determination.
- Networking nationally and internationally with self-advocacy organizations.
- Providing education and training to youth in transition.
- Establishing activities and opportunities for self-advocates to have their own businesses such as; becoming emergency preparedness trainers for Feeling Safe Being Safe.

Social Media
The Center on Disability Studies created the Council’s new webpage http://hiddcouncil.org/
The Council Areas of Emphasis

**Community Supports**
- Enhancing residential placements within communities by avoiding the placement of individuals with developmental disabilities into institutions.
- Creating surveys to find out what residential options are working best for adults with developmental disabilities and what is needed.
- Continue to work with County transportation coordinators statewide to assure bus routes are meeting the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities so they can utilize generic services to access their community.
- Promoted collaboration with agencies to provide civic engagement training for individuals with developmental disabilities and their supporters.
- Educated Legislators, City and County Council members, and Mayors about transportation and housing needs of individuals with disabilities.

**Transition and Employment**
- Collaborated with public and private agencies to create activities to support students and young adults with disabilities with getting a job and earning competitive wages; such as supporting reversed job fairs for over 50 individuals which resulted in getting jobs for five individuals.
- Assisted four self-advocates with becoming Department of Health volunteers.
- Continue to support the Project SEARCH initiative by bringing the planning of the project to Kauai.
- Created and updated a one-page fact sheet related to wrap around services between the Department of Health, DHS Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and Department of Education to promote transition planning starting at the age of 14. Facilitated with our sister agencies; Center on Disability Studies and Hawaii Disability Rights Center, a quarterly transition meetings with over 100 professionals from the mentioned agencies, breaking down silos and promoting collaborating among each other.
- Collaborating with the State of Tennessee to assist the State of Hawaii with opening their ABLE (Achieving a Better Life Experience) accounts.

**Public Awareness, Education and Training**
- Created public awareness campaign to promote Developmental Disabilities and Disability Employment Awareness month.
- Educated business and community members about what Developmental Disabilities are.
- Although HB538 did not pass through the 2018 legislative session, a work group was still convened and the intake process for Developmental Disabilities Division was addressed and a report was completed.
- Promoted awareness of Developmental Disabilities related issues and concerns with legislators during the 2018 Day at the Capitol Event. Participants were briefed from the Council. There were 462 Self-Advocates from 31 organizations and 43 volunteers from 12 organizations who came together to celebrate the abilities of individuals with Developmental Disabilities.
- Supported the Disability Communication Access Board with hosting Emergency Roundtable events with FEMA in every county. Educating 200 residents in Hawaii on being prepared for a natural disaster and what to do after one.
- Encouraged Self-advocates to support initiatives that were important to their communities such as improving bus stop shelters.
- Created web sites for the Council and SAAC. Current agendas, minutes, and calendars have been posted.

**Children & Youth & Health**
- Worked to initiate universal screening tools across the State to increase early intervention strategies. Early detection and treatment can prevent long term disabilities.
- Worked with the Assistive Technology Resource Center to provide devices to toddlers to help with their communication needs rather than purchasing expensive communication devices through Medicaid or other insurance carriers.
- Educating legislatures and community members on the need to improve of oral health for children.

**Self-Advocacy & Self-Determination**
- Maintaining over 200 members statewide.
- Continuing monthly meetings and train-the-trainer events; All about My Empowerment.
- Supporting self-advocates to join community groups and boards, promoting “Nothing About Me Without Me.”
The Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities new logo. MARCH represents Developmental Disabilities Awareness month. The rainbow is on Hawaii State’s license plates. DD Council is a nickname. In 1959 “Aloha State” became Hawaii’s official nickname when it was adopted by the Hawaii State Legislature.

The Council

Offices & Contact Information

History
State Councils were established in response to the Federal Developmental Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Act of 1970 (PL 91-517). Hawai’i’s Council was established in State Law by Act 198, Session Laws of Hawaii in 1975. The Council is administratively attached to the Department of Health. The Department serves as the Designated State Agency, providing fiduciary and administrative support. Although the Council operates in the state government, their federal law stipulates a non-interference law that allows the Council to maintain its autonomy, distinct independent role and responsibility.

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New Logo

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The Council consists of 28 Governor appointed members that includes persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), parents, family members, and representatives from public and private agencies. At least 61% (17 members) must be a person with I/DD or a family member of a person with I/DD. The Council currently has four vacancies. The Governor’s Boards and Commissions Office has received three names to fill a portion of the vacancies.

1. Bathey Fong          Self-Advocate (Oahu)
2. Phillip Ana          Executive Office on Aging (Old Americans Act)
3. Sol Ray Duncan       Self-Advocate (Oahu)
4. Kevin Bardsley-Marcial Non-Profit Organization (Bayada)
5. Barbara Ioli         Parent (Oahu)
6. Catherine Sorenson   Title V of the Social Security Act-Maternal Child Health
7. Josh Ige             Self-Advocate (Maui) - PENDING
8. Iris Xiao            Self-Advocate (Maui)
9. Renee Manfredi       Self-Advocate (Oahu)
10. Carol Young         Hawaii Disability Rights Center (Protection & Advocacy Agency)
11. Timothy Renken      Self-Advocate (Oahu)
12. Ryan Palacio        Self-Advocate (Kauai)
13. Ricky Shimokawa     Department of Education, Individuals with Disabilities Act
14. Christopher Toyama  Self-Advocate (Oahu)
15. Dr. Santo Triolo    Parent (Maui)
16. Michelle Muralt     Self-Advocate (Oahu)
17. Liza Yogi           Parent (East Hawaii)
18. Dr. Patricia Morrissey Center on Disability Studies, University of Hawai‘i at Manoa
19. Jacqueline Indreginal Title IX of the Social Security Act – Department of Human Services Med-QUEST Division
20. Michele Pestel-Maga Parent (Oahu)
21. Mary Brogan         Department of Health (Designated State Agency)
22. Maureen Bates       Department of Human Services, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (Rehabilitation Act)
23. Shana Metsch        Parent (Kauai)
24. Darwin Nagamine     Self-Advocate (East Hawaii)
25. Heidi Hargett       Self-Advocate (West Hawaii)
26. Jocelyn Howard      Non-governmental agency (We are Oceania) PENDING
27. vacant              Self-Advocate
28. vacant              Self-Advocate or Parent