

Perinatal Advocacy Network (PAN)

Meeting Minutes



healthy mothers
healthy babies
COALITION OF HAWAII

January 11, 2019 | 1:30-3:30pm

<p>Attendees Present</p>	<p><i>The meeting was held at the Kamamalu Conference Room at 1010 Richards St. in Honolulu, and broadcast via Zoom to statewide attendees.</i></p> <p>Lisa Kimura (HMHB), Katelyn McIntosh (HMHB), Kari Wheeling (HMHB), Noel Akon (MCBH-WRHS DOH), Pat Bilyk (BF Hawaii), Wendy Nihoa (MCBH-WRHS DOH), Laurie Field (Planned Parenthood), Nicole Mannion (HCAPP), Krystle Niemala (Birth Douala), Jennifer Elia (UH), Carolyn Donohoe Mather (DOH-WIC), Spencer Tengan (HCAPP), Lin Joseph (MOD), Doris Matsunaga (KKV), Laura Nevitt (HCAN), Krista Olson (BF Hawaii), Annette Manant (American College of Nurse-Midwives), Tracey Bischoff (UnitedHealth Care), Le'a Minton (Breastfeeding Hawaii)</p>
<p>Partners News, Updates & Events</p>	<p>Attendees introduced themselves and shared any relevant news, updates and events.</p> <p><i>Le'a Minton:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a pilot project through an AlohaCare Grant where Certified Nurse-Midwives are collaborating with University Health partners on high-risk perinatal cases • Midwives will be going out into the community to provide care for these clients who may have difficulty coming into clinics • High-risk could be: substance abuse, diabetes, previous preterm delivery issues • This will demonstrate a model where care comes to the client • Utilizing telehealth, providing better access to care • 1 year grant, starts sometime in 2019 (TBD) • Accepts both self-referral and referral from providers <p><i>Annette Manant:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 19th there will be an affiliate meeting on Oahu (Nurse-midwife affiliate members only) to talk about legislation in regards to midwifery <p><i>Carolyn Donohoe-Mather:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WIC is looking to expand their breastfeeding peer counselor program to neighbor islands <p><i>Lisa Kimura</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HMHB's Piko Pals program provides 12 weeks of new parent support with a trained group facilitator • 4 new groups are launching on Oahu in February. • HMHB is focusing on providing this program with specific outreach to Native Hawaiian populations, starting with a group in Waianae • Volunteers are needed as group facilitators; next training is Feb 6

<p>Presentation: Women’s Health Research Projects and Data</p>	<p>Information presented by: Jennifer L. F. Elia, DrPH Research Division, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Women's Health John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa</p> <p>Women’s Health Studies that are Currently Recruiting:</p> <p>Focus Groups: Tell Us What You Think About Sex Education in Hawaii</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be 18-19 year olds who attended high school in Hawaii • Groups will be held on various dates and locations • Purpose is to understand how sex ed is currently being conducted and where there can be improvements • Next focus group on January 29, 2019 on Leeward side <p>Emergency Contraception Study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparing effectiveness of emergency contraception • Patients have to be over 176 lbs (to test emergency contraception efficacy on females over this weight) <p>New Copper IUD: The Mona Lisa vs. Paragard</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparing effectiveness of new copper IUD, “The Mona Lisa” to “Paragard” • The Mona Lisa is slightly smaller with the same amount of copper • Participants get a free IUD <p>Studying New Copper IUD: VeraCept</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ½ the amount of copper • Has a different shape <p>Interviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interviewing transgender individuals to look at their reproductive health care experience and their needs • What have their experiences been in accessing health care <p>Hypothetical future study if grant is funded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Studying postpartum physical activity and how easily moms begin/return to an exercise routine • Utilizing eHealth tools to track participant information • Focus groups are specific to Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander mothers
<p>Legislative Bills & Priorities</p>	<p>Participants informed the group on any upcoming bills.</p> <p><i>Laurie Field, Planned Parenthood:</i> Title X:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides reimbursement for family planning resources including contraceptives and other preventative care, NOT abortions • Trump wants to restrict these funds going to abortion providers or any health care provider that provides info regarding abortions • Governor Ige has concluded this is unethical and has included money in this session to secure these services (2.4 million)

Amend Abortion Law:

- Women are limited to receiving surgical abortion services only from physicians; other medical providers are capable of providing such care under their scope of practice, but are unable.
- There are extreme delays in getting an abortion due to lack of physicians who do provide (e.g. – limited days per month on neighbor islands)
- Amend law to allow any licensed health care profession practicing within their lawful practice can provide an abortion
- Ensures women get the care they need when they need it

Bill to ban employers from discriminating against employees health care decisions

Sex ed/Sex Abuse prevention task force

- How can we better support the Department of Education

Opening the new Planned Parenthood health center in Honolulu on Feb 21, 2019

Annette Manant:

Midwife Licensure Bill:

- Plan is to recognize the definition of a midwife, their importance and provide care at their full scope
- Concerns about reporting to two different Boards and the logistics

Lisa Kimura, HMHB:

- Paid Family Leave is still a priority, March of Dimes is now supporting this issue
- Efforts this year are focused on more business outreach