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CME Offerings Returning to HMA

One of the main missions of HMA is to provide for the educational needs of its members. As a CME accrediting organization for Hawaii and the South Pacific,

CME@HMA

HMA ensures that all providers meet a quality standard that give our medical community the best educational opportunities possible.

To better serve our membership and our medical providers, HMA will also offer CME classes throughout the year! Our first offering will be on October 1 & 2, 2021, covering five hours of CME credits. Speakers and topics are as follows:

Friday, October 1

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Jill Omori, MD

*Compassion in Medicine:
More than Just a Word*

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Lieutenant Governor Josh Green, MD

Health Care in a Period of Crisis

Saturday, October 2

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

William Haning, MD

*We Few, We Happy Few: Oaths,
Compacts, and Commitments*

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Lee Buenconsejo-Lum, MD

Preparing Physicians for the Future at JABSOM

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Kore Kai Liow, MD

*New Alzheimer's Treatment Aducanumab and other Emerging Treatments in Hawaii:
Is it Time We Approach Alzheimer's Differently?*

The cost for all five CME hours is \$20.00 for HMA members, \$200.00 for non-HMA members. All CMEs will be presented at the HMA office, 1360 South Beretania Street, Suite 200. Due to current Covid restrictions, in-person attendance is limited and preference will be given to HMA members; a virtual option via Zoom is also available.

To register for our October CMEs, visit hawaiimedicalassociation.org.

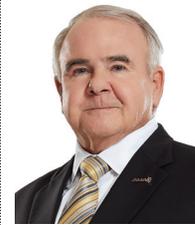
Executive Director's Message *from Marc Alexander*



It's a pleasure to be the new Executive Director of the Hawaii Medical Association. Since beginning on August 2nd, I've had the opportunity to speak with dozens of members and other stakeholders in the HMA universe, receiving warm messages of welcome.

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AMA President Dr. Gerald Harmon to Deliver Keynote Address at Ola Pono Ike



We are so pleased to announce that Dr. Gerald Harmon, current AMA President will deliver the keynote address during our rescheduled Ola Pono

Ike dinner on January 15, 2022 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village.

A decorated 35-year Air Force veteran, Dr. Harmon retired as a Major General and has received the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, and the Humanitarian Service Medal for his dedicated service to our country. He received his medical degree from the Medical University of South Carolina and has held several leadership positions in the South Carolina Medical Association, including board chairman and president.

Dr. Harmon has practiced family medicine for more than 30 years in coastal South Carolina and was elected the 176th president of the American Medical Association in June 2021.

Ola Pono Ike Rescheduled to January 2022

In the effort to protect our HMA members, family and friends, Ola Pono Ike - our annual Gala event - has been postponed to Saturday, January 15, 2022 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. It is our hope that by January 2022, Covid numbers will be under control and we'll be able to gather safely at our in-person event.

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News From the Department of Health

The Hawaii Department of Health (DOH) is expanding West Oahu testing and vaccination efforts in response to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 in this community.

“We recognize that for many, historic inequities, misinformation and insufficient access to care have contributed to a lack of confidence in COVID-19 vaccines,” said State Epidemiologist Dr. Sarah Kemble. “We thank our West Oahu community for coming together to support vaccination and testing. DOH is working hand-in-hand with community leaders to create welcoming, collaborative environments that will lead to healthier communities.”



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DOH is adding testing and vaccination events to promote health equity in communities that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

The events are collaborative partnerships between DOH, vaccination and testing providers and community leaders. Vaccination and testing events will be held on Saturdays through October 2 and will rotate between Nanakuli Intermediate & High School, Nanakuli Villages Mall and Waianae Mall.

The first of these events was held on Saturday, August 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Waianae Mall. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines will be available and walk-ins are welcome. Partners on this event include the Hawaii Business Magazine, Hawaii Public Health Institute, Honolulu Community Action Program, Honolulu Fire Department, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, Ke Ola Mamo, Marshallese Community Organization of Hawaii, Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander Hawaii COVID-19 Team, Papa Ola Lokahi, and Project Vision.

West Oahu Testing/Vaccination Events:

Date: September 4, 2021

Site: Nanakuli Villages Mall (1st shot)

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Vaccine: Moderna & Pfizer

Date: September 18, 2021

Site: HCAP (Nanakuli Intermediate & High School 2nd shot)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Vaccine: Moderna & Pfizer

Date: September 25, 2021

Site: Waianae Mall (2nd shot)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Vaccine: Moderna & Pfizer

Date: October 2, 2021

Site: Nanakuli Villages Mall (2nd shot)

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Vaccine: Moderna & Pfizer

Ola Pono Ike Rescheduled

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We still plan to hold a virtual Annual Membership meeting via Zoom on October 1, 2021, beginning at 6:30 p.m. All current HMA members are encouraged to attend; an invitation will be sent out via email with the Zoom meeting number and instructions.

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Physicians face many challenges during this pandemic and in the changing practice of medicine in general. HMA's role as an advocate for physicians, supporting their care for patients and community health, is more important than ever. I look forward to supporting HMA in its commitment to serve physicians, their patients, and the community through active representation, advocacy, and public service. I welcome your comments and guidance as we move together in opening a new chapter in HMA's storied history.

AMA Wants Your Input



Proposals to update Conceptual Foundations and Philosophy (Chapter 1) and Practical Application of the Guides (Chapter 2) of the AMA Guides are being considered by the AMA Guides Editorial Panel for adoption in 2022.

The AMA Guides Editorial Panel

will consider all available information and comments prior to adopting a proposal to update the AMA Guides. All comments received will be made public on the AMA Guides website, including the resolution status after Panel review.

To submit comments, please email guidesproposals@ama-assn.org with your full name and title, the name of the organization you represent (if applicable), and a brief summary of your interest in the proposal. AMA will provide you with a confidentiality agreement and disclosures form to complete. An AMA representative will then review your information and disclosures and send you a copy of the proposal for AMA Guides Sixth 2022.

The comment period runs from August 30 – September 24, 2021, and the deadline to declare intent to submit comments is September 10, 2021.