

Hawai'i Health Connector

Aloha from Hawai'i Island!

The Hawai'i Health Connector Outreach Team is on Hawai'i Island talking story about the health insurance exchange. The Team met with Hawai'i County Mayor Billy Kenoi to apprise him on the progress of the Connector.

Monday started off with an early morning presentation to the Workforce Development Board where Executive Director Coral Andrews introduced the Connector and answered some excellent questions.

Michael Gleason, a Connector Board member and Community Outreach Committee Chair, was the perfect host on day one. The day concluded with a visit to The Arc of Hilo, Kea'au, Fern Forest, Hawaiian Beaches, Eden Roc, Pāhoa and Hawaiian Paradise Park, the second largest subdivision in the United States.

The Connector Outreach Team will be on Hawai'i Island through Wednesday to meet with community health center directors and County Council members. The Team is also seeking out hard-to-reach populations to identify where outreach efforts will need increased focus. The outreach meetings aim to provide accurate, helpful information and build lasting relationships with community members.

The Connector Outreach Team is committed to introducing itself throughout the state by the end of the year. The Hawai'i Island visit marks the second effort to establish a Connector presence state-wide, following Kaua'i.

If you would like to meet with the Connector Outreach Team please visit the website, www.hawaiihealthconnector.com or submit a request to info@hawaiihealthconnector.com.

Consumer Advisory Committee

The Community Outreach Team is currently receiving applications for participation on the Consumer Advisory Committee. The Consumer Advisory Committee will represent a wide variety of consumer and employer interests, including:

- (a) Individuals and Small Businesses who will purchase health plans through the Connector;
- (b) Diverse populations throughout the state; and
- (c) Organizations that help individuals to enroll in health plans through the Connector, including insurance providers and advocates for hard-to-reach populations.

Members who serve on this committee will represent small businesses and consumers statewide and will participate in strategic outreach initiatives.

If you are interested in serving on the Committee or know of someone, complete the attached application and submit it to info@hawaiihealthconnector.com no later than Friday, August 31, 2012. ([For application, click here](#))



Executive Director Andrews, Board Director Mike Gleason and the Community Outreach Team with Hawai'i Island Mayor Billy Kenoi

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