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OLAKINO

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WHO WE ARE

Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Incorporated in 1991, Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi serves as the Native Hawaiian Health Care System for Hawai'i island, providing traditional Hawaiian healing, medical, behavioral health, and community education services with the sole objective of improving access to quality healthcare, education, and services for the people of Hawai'i.

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A Message From Our Executive Director, Lehua Andrade

Aloha mai kākou,

It is with great honor to announce that Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi celebrates its 30th Anniversary in Mei 2021. Mei also marks the 30th anniversary of our logo created by notable Hawaiian artist Imaikalani Kalahele. The design is a reflection of our mission statement and beautifully illustrates our organization's role in engaging with our communities and partners.

The lower design of our logo is the mat or moena, representing the foundation of life from which the kahuna and the Hawaiian community he represents offers the tribute of awa as seen in

the middle image indicating the 'umeke or calabash container holding the awa. The petroglyph depicts lāhui Hawai'i as she envelopes and extends her aloha and protection as she accepts the tribute of the health and wellness of her people.

Like the 'umeke in our logo, what we put in it is what we offer to others. In our 30th year, we continue to strive to ensure that our 'umeke is full and our offerings are purposeful for the well-being of our lāhui.

What fills your 'umeke? Please tell us about your needs in our Community Needs Survey. More information on filling out this survey is found on page 10.

Mahalo for your support over the past three decades and for joining us in our continued efforts to uplift the health of the people of Hawai'i.

Me ka ha'aha'a,





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ONGOING SERVICES

In light of COVID-19, Hui Mālama is now offering our regular ongoing services online!

For updates, visit hmono.org/calendar.
*To sign up, visit hmono.org/services.

EXERCISE & FITNESS (*ALL ONLINE)

Basic Stretch & Strengthening Exercise Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30am - 10:15am

Basic Therapeutic Yoga Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:00pm - 6:00pm

SUPPORT GROUPS (*ALL ONLINE)

MOMs to MOMs Breastfeeding Support Group Fourth Wednesdays, 2:00pm - 3:30pm

Cancer Support Group Second & Fourth Tuesdays, 5:00pm - 6:30pm

> Cultural Wellness Support Group Second, Third & Fourth Mondays, 5:00pm-6:00pm

> Diabetes Support Group First Tuesdays, 5:00pm - 6:30pm Third Tuesdays, 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Patchwork Wellness First Mondays, 5:00pm - 6:30pm

out in Community!

A glimpse of what Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi is doing to help our Hawai'i island 'ohana Live Longer and Feel Better, Together!

Nurses Week 2021: May 6 - May 12



Mahalo Nurses for serving our community!

Honoring our Nurses & Clinic Providers...

Lehua Andrade, RN Edna Baldado, BSN Wanda Louis, RN UH-Hilo School of Nursing Interns Gaku Yamaguchi, MD Stacy Haumea, DrBH, MPH, RDN, LD, CDCES Sarah Josef, MA, RDN, LD Donna Dennerlein, LCSW

...for providing Diabetes Self Management Education and Support, Hypertension Management, Basic Nutrition, Family Medicine, and Behavioral Health services to our community

Join us in our upcoming services by signing up online at **HMONO.ORG/SERVICES** or contacting our offices today:

Family Medicine Clinic: (808) 796-3125 | Program Classes: (808) 969-9220

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Recognizing UHH School of Nursing Interns

Throughout the thirty years that Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi has been in existence our mission to care for the community remains steadfast. One of the many ways we have carried out this mission is through our internship program with University of Hawai'i at Hilo (UHH) School of Nursing.

During past internships with Hui Mālama, these nursing students gained various skills of leadership, community collaboration, class presentations and community engagement with adults, keiki, and kūpuna. Currently, they have assisted our Health Enhancement Program in creating



UHH School of Nursing Class of 2021 Interns

various educational projects from instructional handouts and videos for our clients to learn how to take their blood pressure, blood glucose and many more skills to improve health and wellness daily.

The countless hours these students have given to Hui Mālama show true dedication on their part. In addition to celebrating our 30th Anniversary as an organization, we'd like to honor the UHH School of Nursing Class of 2021! Mahalo nui loa to our future nurses and community leaders.



May 1, 2021 marks the 30th Anniversary for Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi. Through hard work, dedication, and generous hearts, our organization is honored to celebrate 30 years of service to our Hawai'i island community. Join us as we celebrate and reminisce by taking *a look back*, sharing *where we are now* with

current services, and our hopes when *looking forward* to the future of Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi.

Keamalu Waltjen joined the Hui Mālama workforce in May of 1993. She was hired on as an Outreach Worker and transitioned into a Community Health Worker to this present day. She celebrates her 28 years with the organization by reflecting on the historical timeline of Hui Mālama:

Staff from community health organizations gather to address the health of Native Hawaiians in Hawai'i county. They form the Native Hawaiian Community Caring Health Task Force.

> October 1987

U.S. Congress enacts the Native Hawaiian Health Care Act to improve the health status of Native Hawaiians. Papa Ola Lōkahi is formed.

October 1988 The Task Force begins receiving Native Hawaiian Health Care Act funds from Papa Ola Lōkahi to develop a nonprofit organization.

March 1991

The Task Force forms Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi, an incorporated nonprofit organization.





Leenal Kaleiokealoha
Castro is one of the first outreach workers of Hui Mālama
Ola Nā 'Ōiwi since the organization's establishment in May

vital role in measuring the health-risk factors and implementing health

1991. She played a

management assessments for clients across Hawai'i island. As years went by and the organization continued to grow, Leenal became the Hele Mai 'Ai Nutrition educator and worked as a Community Health Worker. She continues to coordinate Hele Mai 'Ai (come eat), a program developed in 2007 that still impacts current clients on how to eat healthier and participate in more physical activity.

Leenal shares, "teaching Hele Mai 'Ai is my passion," as she educates clients on how to become more aware of what they eat to lose weight and improve their overall health. She continues, "we just need to do one change at a time in improving our health."

As Leenal reflects back through her 30-year career with Hui Mālama she recognizes her biggest accomplishment as being a client advocate through home visits, assisting in documentation completion, identifying funding resources to pay for medical expenses, and obtaining insurance. Mahalo, Leenal, for you commitment and dedication to helping Hui Mālama create a strong and healthy Hawaiian Nation!

Aunty Edna Baldado

is also celebrating 28 years of service with Hui Mālama. You may recognize her on the radio with her monthly health messages, but did you know she too



was involved in being a client advocate and assisting in the creation of the many services we have today? Aunty Edna shares, "doctors were amazed at the knowledge that our clients were getting. A patient and client of Hui Mālama spoke to their doctor about their A1C level and the doctor was surprised that the patient knew about that. Doctors started recommending our classes."

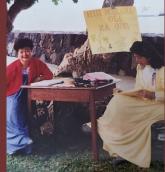
In her past work, Aunty assisted in coordinating services such as our Diabetes Education Program, Diabetes Support Group, and Cancer Support Group that are still active today. Through these efforts, community members began to grow more comfortable and joined our classes. They learned about health conditions and healthy choices.

Keep an ear-out for Aunty Edna's Health Messages airing on KAPA and KWXX monthly! And as always, you can read her message on page 12.

PHOTOS TAKEN FROM 1994 - 2008!

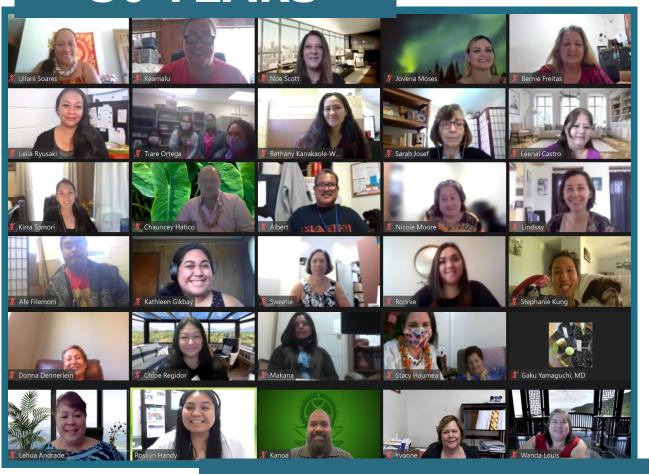








30 YEARS



WHERE WE ARE NOW

Since our incorporation as a nonprofit organization, we have expanded and enhanced our services to better fit your needs. In the past year alone, we have ensured that all of our services are now accessible online and virtually. This allows you, our community, to access our services from different locations including your own home, decreasing commute times and giving you more time to spend doing the things you love.

With the exception of billable medical services, all of our services are free thanks to the support of our funders and grant providers. Visit **hmono.org/our-funders** to learn more.

Sign up for our free and online services at any time at *hmono.org/services* so we can Live Longer and Feel Better, Together!

WHAT WE OFFER



Our Family Medicine Clinic re-opened in February 2019. Learn more on page 11!

Family Medicine
Nutrition Counseling & Diabetes
Education
Behavioral Health



La'au Lapa'au

Workshops and classes Grow Your Own La'au

Community Garden workshops Mala 101: Beginners Gardening classes

Ho'oponopono

One-to-one consultations

Lomilomi

Lomilomi massage in Hilo & Kaʻū Lomilomi ha ha

Healthy Hapai Prenatal Program

Healthy Hapai classes
Moms to Moms Breastfeeding Support
Group

Makahiki Games



Our Community Health Workers are the bridge to the community, offering the following and more!

Health presentations for schools, business, and community groups Health screenings
Resource referrals



Diabetes

Diabetes Self Management Education Program

Exercise & Fitness

Basic Stretch & Strengthening Therapeutic Yoga

Heart Health

Hypertension Management Program Ola Hou I Ka Hula: Hula for Health

Immunization Program

For keiki under 2 years old

Nutrition

Chronic Kidney Disease

Hele Mai 'Ai

Mindful Eating Lab Level I & II

Papa Kuke 'Oli 'Oli

Patchwork Wellness

Special Events

Ladies' Night Out Mālama Nā Keiki Festival

Support Groups

Cancer

Diabetes (adult and youth)

Cultural Wellness



This quickly expanding program offers transportation to medical appointments for those with mobility restrictions.





WHAT DOES THE FUTURE LOOK LIKE FOR HUI MĀLAMA?

We want to hear from you! For our Community Needs Assessment this year, we invite you to complete our survey to share your mana'o (thoughts) that we will use to map out a course for health improvement. See the information to the right!

HOW WILL WE DO THIS?

Through our Community Needs Survey, we will gain a snapshot of local policy, systems, and environmental change strategies currently in place that will help us identify areas for improvement. With this data, we plan to map out a course for health improvement by creating strategies to make positive and sustainable changes within our organization.

Our Missions and Vision remains the same: we will continue to take care and uplift the health of the Hawaiian nation. So let's build our future so we can all Live Longer and Feel Better, Together.

GETTING INVOLVED

DONATE

Donate monetarily at hmono.org/donate. For all other donations, please call (808) 969-9220.

SUBSCRIBE

Get automatic updates by subscribing to our electronic newsletter at hmono.org!

VOLUNTEER

Interested in volunteering? Contact our office at (808) 969-9220.



HELP US TO MAKE POSITIVE AND SUSTAINABLE CHANGES WITHIN OUR ORGANIZATION BY COMPLETING OUR SURVEY AT

HMONO.ORG/COMMUNITY-NEEDS-SURVEY

Survey available from April 9 through June 30, 2021



FAMILY MEDICINE CLINIC

Accepting New Patients & Offering Televisits!



Gaku Yamaguchi, MD Family Medicine



Ninu A. Quirk, MD Family Medicine Temporarily until July 2021



Lauren Butcher, APRN Family Medicine



Donna Dennerlein, LCSW Behavioral Health



Stacy Haumea, DBH, RDN, CDE Nutrition & Health Education



Sarah Josef, MA, RDN, LD Nutrition & Health Education

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Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm | *closed from 12:00pm-1:00pm*

New Patient Registration is available at the Family Medicine Clinic and online at **HMONO.org/family-medicine**.

Aunty's Health Message

Aloha mai kākou,

Aloha mai kākou and welcome to Aunty's Health Minute brought to you by Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi, helping all of Hawai'i island live longer and feel better.

I am Aunty Edna and May marks our 30th anniversary of serving Hawai'i island, so we want to say mahalo for joining us in our journey to a healthy Hawai'i.



Although we are still experiencing coronavirus issues and some challenging weather conditions, we must work together by paying attention to each other and our surroundings so we can stay safe and healthy.



One way we can continue working together is by sharing our free and online support groups, like diabetes, cancer, and cultural wellness support groups.

Need help or want to talk story? Connect with us at Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi, working 30 years to

help our Hawai'i island be a healthy and happy place. Visit our website at *HMONO.org*.

Hele mai, connect with us... and tell them Aunty Edna sent you!



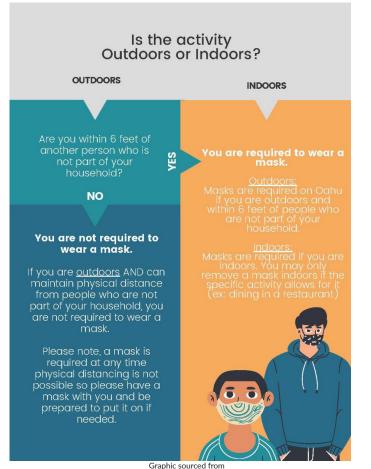


Tune in to KAPA-fm and KWXX to hear Aunty Edna share her mana'o on how you can stay safe and healthy!

HEALTH UPDATES

COVID-19 Are we required to wear a mask?

Now that more of our community is getting vaccinated, are we still required to wear a mask? Here are some guidelines to review as stated in the Mayor's COVID-19 Emergency Rule No.14 Extension:



https://coronavirus-response-county-of-hawaii-hawaiicountygis.hub.arcgis.com/pages/mask-rules

A a reminder, the CDC (Centers for Disease Control & Prevention) strongly recommends wearing a mask in public at all times even if regardless of physical distance. For more information, visit https://coronavirus-response-county-ofhawaii-hawaiicountygis.hub.arcgis.com/pages/mask-rules.

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

As part of the Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi Immunization Program, your child can receive a FREE backpack or sleeping bag if they meet the two criteria below:

- 1. Your child turns 2 years old between August 2020 and July 2021.
- 2. Your child has completed all 24-25 CDC recommended vaccinations (below).

Contact us at contact@hmono.org to submit your child's immunization card, register your child, and receive their makana!

CDC RECOMMENDED **VACCINATIONS:**

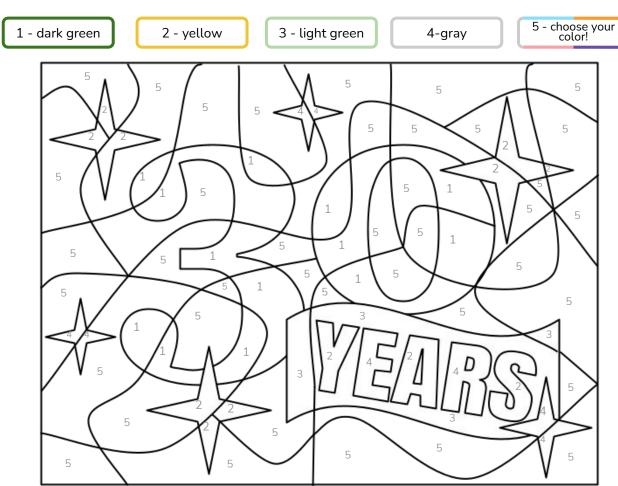
- DTP/Dtap 1
- DTP/Dtap 2
- DTP/Dtap 3
- DTP/Dtap 4
- IPV 1
- IPV 2
- IPV 3
- Pneumococcal 1
- Pneumococcal 2
- Pneumococcal 3
- Pneumococcal 4
- VZV

- Hib 1
 - Hib 2
- Hib 3
- HepB 1
- HepB 2
- HepB 3
- HepA **MMR**
- Influenza 1
- Influenza 2
- Rotavirus 1
- Rotavirus 2

For more information about our immunization program, visit our website at hmono.org/immunization-program.

Keiki Goloring Gomer

This year, Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi is celebrating our 30th anniversary! Use the color key below to reveal the picture!



MATH BONUS!

This year is 2021 and Hui Mālama is celebrating our 30-year anniversary. Can you figure out what year Hui Mālama started?

2 0 2 1 this year - 3 0 years

Hui Mālama started in the year



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Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi

May 2021

|O|hui malama

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 5PM Patchwork Wellness (online)	9:30AM BS&SEC (online) 10AM Tobacco Cessation 5PM Basic Therapeutic Yoga (online) 5PM Diabetes Support Group (online)	5 5PM Hula for Health (online) 5PM Diabetes Self Management Education Program (online)	6 9:30AM BS&SEC (online) 5PM Basic Therapeutic Yoga (online) 5PM Mindful Eating Lab Level 2 (online)	BS&SEC Basic Stretch & Strengthening Exercise Class	8
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