



**Statewide Oral Health Strategic Planning
Maui Town Hall Highlights
Monday, November 27, 2017**

(Note: This summary is not a comprehensive discussion, a full report will be included in the strategic plan.)

Attendees 26 total. (14 in Session 1; 12 in Session 2): Carole Zoom (community member), Shere Saneishi-Kim (Director HDS), Arlene Allen (community), Lauren Locy (HIPHI), Joseph Kohn (Founder, We Are One), Jeny Bissell (RN DOH), Arlene Agoy (PHN DOH), Robert Sherman, DMD (HDS), Alan Matsunami (Exec Dir. CCMC), Nancy Leano (DEA), Ave Diaz (MFSS/EHS), Katie Folio (HIPHI), Kahala Jen Chrysalyk (Maui's BSH), Heidi Taogoshi, RN (PHN DOH), Scott Kanemori (DDS), Emi Eno Orikasa DDS (Hui No Ke Ola Pono), Casey Tamashiro (HDS), Tricia Guureia (MFSS), Neil C. Nunokawa, DDS (DDH), Nicole Pikini (HDHA/Malama I Ke Ola), Emilie Guinto DDS (Malama I Ke Ola), Arielle Nagao (Malama I Ke Ola), Kira Lee (Malama I Ke Ola), Leanne Higa (UHMC), Nani Watanabe, Justin Stanton (UHMC)



Oral Health – Education

In the first session on Maui, the group participants emphasized that increased education is necessary to raise the public's value of oral health. This includes education to improve awareness of oral health for young children, including the recommendation to see a dentist by age one. Families would benefit from increased education and awareness of healthy habits and behavior at home surrounding diet/nutrition, pre-chewing food for young children, sugary drinks, and hygiene.

For the second group session on Maui, education of oral health to parents was again emphasized. It was identified that increasing the value of oral health is a matter of changing public perceptions. Sugary food choices are still overly accepted, and children are still rewarded with candy at home and in school.

Outreach and Media

There is a need to engage all levels of the island through multiple platforms of outreach and media. This could also include churches, first Friday events in each Maui community, or the Keiki fest on Maui.

Workforce

There is a need for a community dental health coordinator program. There are currently community healthcare worker certificate programs (KCC and Maui college), and those programs could be expanded to include oral health curriculum.

Disparities Concerns

Lack of dental health access and integration in senior-citizen settings and communities is a concern. Adults with physical disabilities may not have wheelchair access or accommodating environments during dental visits. For non-English speakers, interpreter service may be limited.



Post-meeting Evaluation Results

	1 = Poor	2 = Below Average	3 = Average	4 = Above Average	5 = Excellent	NA
Format/Structure						
Overall Meeting	(0)	(0)	(2) 8%	(5)19%	(19)73%	(0)
Length of Meeting	(0)	(0)	(5)19%	(6)23%	(15)58%	(0)

Amenities						
Meeting Room	(0)	(0)	(7)27%	(5)19%	(14)54%	(0)
Catering	(0)	(0)	(6)23%	(7)27%	(12)46%	(1)4 %
Meeting Sections						
Hawaii State Oral Health Program Update	(0)	(0)	(2)8%	(9)35%	(15)58%	(0)
Breakout and Discussion	(0)	(0)	(2)8%	(7)28%	(16)64%	(0)
Planning & Prioritization	(0)	(0)	(2)8%	(8)32%	(15)60%	(0)

Comments and/or suggestions:

- Excellent meeting! Thank you! (2)
- The idea that there is scarcity of money is the biggest hoax of all. Priorities of the Dominant Paradigm are generally toxic.
- Amazing Denture/Dental program - Florence, SC: Sexton Dental Preventive Outreach - Concentrate High School: they don't listen to parents (specifically), they have reputations, often neglected & are the next leaders, grown ups and parents.
- The discussion session went well. It could have gone longer. Good job!
- Early prevention of dental programs should start lowering prenatal visits/educate parents about dental health.
- Good job keeping on track & not letting discussion get off topic.
- NA for breakout session, planning & prioritization not enough time, continue meetings. Public media campaign (Health drinks, Healthy food, dangers of bad diet) - Quality commercial running on all local channels. Costs Analysis in \$ + human capital on how each dollar toward oral care can prevent health costs in future. Introduce at ALL DOE levels. Investigate other preventive health models to apply in Hawaii.
- Room too cold. Excellent facilitation!