

Connections: Updates

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County Updates

Hawaii County News Contact Angela Thomas, Hawaii Coordinator at athomas@fofhawaii.org or at 808-885-8336

Kauai County News Contact Anna Peters, Kauai County Coordinator, at 808-632-2114, or at apeters@goodbeginnings.org.

Maui County News Contact Kaina Bonacorsi, Maui County Coordinator at 808-242-1608 or at Kaina.Bonacorsi@co.maui.hi.us Visit [their website](#)

Oahu County News Contact Celia Chang Takahashi, Oahu Coordinator, at ctakahashi@goodbeginnings.org or at 808-531-5502.

Furlough Information

Department of Human Services – Benefit, Employment and Support Services Division (BESSD) furloughs will continue through June 30, 2011. For more information visit <http://puc.hawaii.gov/furlough> To download a calendar scroll to the bottom of the page and use the link or visit <http://puc.hawaii.gov/furlough>

County of Hawaii will be implementing furloughs starting July 2, 2010 and continuing through June 30, 2011. For a list of furlough days, visit <http://www.hawaii-county.com/furlough.htm>

City and County of Honolulu will be implementing furloughs starting July 2, 2010 and continuing through June 30, 2011. For more information, including a furlough calendar, please visit <http://www.honolulu.gov/furloughcal/index.htm#scheduled>

County of Kauai will be implementing two day a month furloughs starting July 2010 and continuing through June 30, 2011. For more information visit <http://www.kauai.gov/Kamaaina/tabid/36/Default.aspx>

Maui County will furlough most of its employees 12 days starting July 2010 and continuing through June 2011. For more information, including a furlough calendar, please visit <http://www.mauicounty.gov/index.aspx?NID=1592>

Be Healthy, Stay Healthy

Stop Flu at School, Hawaii's school-located vaccination program, is an innovative partnership between the State of Hawaii Departments of Health and Education, the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, and Hawaii Catholic Schools. This program is endorsed by the Hawaii Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Hawaii Association of Family Practitioners. The Stop Flu at School program aims to improve the health of Hawaii's keiki, families, and kupuna by preventing the spread of influenza (flu) through vaccination. Through the Stop Flu at School program, all children attending participating elementary and middle schools are offered FREE flu vaccine at school, during the school day. The program is voluntary for schools and students. Parent participation forms will begin going home in August and vaccinations will begin in October 2010. For more information about this important and valuable program visit <http://www.stopfluatschool.com> or call 211 To view the tentative vaccination schedule for your child's school visit http://hawaii.gov/health/family-child-health/contagious-disease/communications/fluvoxforkids_schedule.html

Free Flu Shots for Medicare Part B Subscribers available. For a complete list visit <http://hawaii.gov/health/family-child-health/immunization/flu-shot-schedule.pdf> For more information call the Department of Health at 808-586-8332 or 211.

Flu.gov has a link for the state of Hawaii. Use the *Flu Shot Locator* to find place, date and time for H1N1 and seasonal flu shots. Information for citizens and professionals are also provided. Visit <http://www.flu.gov/professional/states/hawaii.html> for more information.

Flu.hawaii.gov has valuable information for Hawaii residents regarding H1N1 (swine flu) including a list of where you can get the H1N1 flu shot, links to the CDC, links to other websites and resources. Visit <http://flu.hawaii.gov/index.html>

Updates from GBA

Good Beginnings Alliance (GBA) now has **two** new Facebook pages:

1. **GBA Staff** – this is where you'll find what GBA is doing for the EC system. Type in *GBA Staff* in the search bar, check out the page and become a "friend."
2. **Good Beginnings Alliance** (new page) – here you'll find the latest EC news across Hawaii and the Nation. Type in *Good Beginnings Alliance* in the search bar, peruse through the information and click "like."

Not on Facebook? Sign up by visiting www.facebook.com GBA's Facebook pages are the premiere methods of keeping your finger on the pulse of what's happening in the early childhood field locally and nationally.

Important Election Information

Voter Registration Deadline for General Election: October 4, 2010

Our keiki cannot vote – but you can! If you are a citizen of the United States of America; a legal resident of Hawaii; and at least 18 years of age by election day, you may vote in this year's elections. For more information, visit <http://hawaii.gov/elections/voters/registration.htm>

Online Voter Registration at Partner's in Development Foundation (PIDF) No Vote, No Grumble website. Visit <http://www.novotenogrumble.com> to take advantage of this registration opportunity.

News for Early Childhood Professionals

2010 Annual Leadership Symposium & Hawaii Early Childhood Education Conference
Opening the World to Young Children

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Friday & Saturday, October 8 – 9, 2010

Hawaii Convention Center

Call for Proposals Due: September 7, 2010

The Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children is proud to announce that they are considering proposals for the 2010 Hawaii Early Childhood Conference & Leadership Symposium. The theme of this year's conference is *Opening the World to Young Children*. Through this theme participants will be exposed to new and challenging information that will produce quality-learning experiences for all those that attend. To be considered as a presenter for this year's event, download and complete a Call for Proposal by the September 7th deadline. A maximum of two (2) presenters per proposal will receive complimentary registration to the Conference. For a form, please visit www.hawaiiikeiki.org and click on the menu Professional Development tab or call the HAEYC State Office at 942-4708 toll free at 1-888-224-2392.

Castle Colleagues recruiting for 2011

Application Deadline: September 30, 2010

The Castle Colleague Program, created by The Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation, offers non-profit early childhood center directors an opportunity to participate in workshops, lectures and discussions on many management-related topics including, but not limited to: dealing with diversity; financial management; raising money; effectively utilizing volunteers; ethics; supervising staff; portfolio assessment. From January to April 2011, that year's Castle Colleagues gather for three sessions, each 3-4 days long. Time spent in the program may be used towards college credits for a degree program. Sessions are led by prominent leaders in the field of early childhood and the foundation world, and resource people from local government, business, and accounting and legal firms. The 2011 session dates are as follows:

Session 1: January 26 - 29, 2011

Session 2: March 2 - 5, 2011

Session 3: April 28 - 30, 2011

For more information, please contact Holly Henderson at 351-3583. For an application form, contact Jerry Wile the Castle Colleague program office at Chaminade University at 739-4698 or at jerry.wile@chaminade.edu

Upcoming Events, Meetings, Conferences, Trainings For Early Childhood Professionals (dated items first, then alpha order)

Early Childhood Mental Health Summit III

Thursday, September 16, 2010

8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Queen's Conference Center (510 S. Beretania Street)

Registration Deadline: September 9, 2010

The purpose of this Summit is to develop a white paper on early childhood mental health needs and strategies to share with the next administration. A very limited number of neighbor island airfare is available on a first-come first served basis. You must submit the registration form by September 1, 2010. For all others, please submit your registration by September 9, 2010. For more information contact Keiko Nitta at keiko.nitta@doh.hawaii.gov or (808) 733-9079

Program Administration Scale

Monday, September 27, 2010

Moanalua Missionary Church (1401 Mahiole St., Honolulu)

12 noon – 12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch and Networking

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Workshop with Workshop by Carolyn Cook, HECAP Facilitator, Training Coordinator, ECE Consultant

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FREE for Kia'i ka 'ike members; Non-Members \$3.00

RSVP 735-3197 by September 20, 2010

This workshop, presented by Kia'i ka 'ike – Early Childhood Director's Association of Hawai'i will be an introduction to the Program Administration Scale. Activities and discussion will help participants understand how and when to use the PAS. Participants will have opportunities to become more familiar with using the tool and the 10 Subscales and Items. Compatibility with the NAEYC Standards and Criteria will also be shared. If you have a copy of the PAS please bring it to the workshop. For more information call Cynthia at 735-3197 or email info@kiaikaike.org or visit www.kiaikaike.org

**Hawaii Child Care Nutrition Program
Fall 2010 Healthy Snacks Workshops
Nutrition Facts & Healthy Snacks**

This workshop will review strategies on how to identify healthful foods by using the Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2005 and food labels as informative tools and may be used towards your efforts to continue your education in nutrition for renewal of your child care license.

Maui Maui Community College Pilina Multipurpose Room Wednesday, September 22, 2010 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	O'ahu Peal City Peal City Urban Garden Center Classroom Friday, September 24, 2010 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
O'ahu Peal City Peal City Urban Garden Center Classroom Saturday, September 25, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	O'ahu University of Hawaii Agricultural Science Building, Room 306 Friday, October 1, 2010 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
O'ahu University of Hawaii Agricultural Science Building, Room 306 Saturday, October 2, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Hawai'i Island Neighborhood Place of Kona Conference Room Wednesday, October 27, 2010 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

For more information and forms visit www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/new/hccnp/fccp.htm or contact Kimberly at 956-4124 or via email at hccnp@hawaii.edu

**2010 Annual Leadership Symposium & Hawaii Early Childhood Education Conference
Opening the World to Young Children
Friday & Saturday, October 8 – 9, 2010
Hawaii Convention Center
Early Bird Registration through September 19, 2010**

Each year the Conference & Leadership Symposium offers over 100 workshops that provides both seasoned professionals and future educators with opportunities to connect with other early childhood and pre-K-to-grade-3 educators from across the State to network, discuss cutting-edge research and teaching strategies that help them open the world to the young children they work with. Last year, this conference attracted over 1,300 participants including teachers, therapists, care providers, administrators, parents, paraprofessionals, child advocates and community members. NAEYC members will, once again, receive a discount on their registration fee. To join, or renew your NAEYC membership, visit <http://www.naeyc.org/membership/join> For updates regarding the Conference & Leadership Symposium, please visit www.hawaii-keiki.org and click on the menu Professional Development tab or call the HAEYC State Office at 942-4708 toll free at 1-888-224-2392.

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Learning Disabilities Association of Hawaii

Traveling Mini-Conference 2010

Effective Advocacy ... It's Smarter Thinking!

Various locations and dates, statewide

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Free

Attendees will learn options to communicate, cooperate, collaborate and coordinate effective advocacy for your child with a disability. Parents, family members, professionals, students are invited to attend because knowledge is power.

Island	Date	Location	Registration Information
Oahu	Saturday, September 11, 2010	Pali Golf Course	For more information, or to reserve your seat call 1-800-533-9684.
Maui	Saturday, September 18, 2010	Luana Gardens	
Kauai	Saturday, September 9, 2010	Pending. Please call LDAH at the number to your right.	

A Day in the Life of a Native Hawaiian Youth in Foster Care & Their Cultural Needs

This workshop, presented statewide by Family Programs Hawaii, will be with Dr. Kimo Alameda who will present on how resource care givers raising children of Hawaiian heritage can provide an environment that is conducive to the formation of a positive ethnic and cultural heritage. There will be a discussion on how to increase positive learning opportunities, support healing and reduce any further trauma and cultural displacement for the children in foster care. Open to all resource, guardianship, adoptive and kinship parents, as well as individuals working with these families. Childcare provided for children ages 3-12. Meal provided. Space limited.

Community	Date & Time	Registration Information
Maui	Tuesday, September 28, 2010	Register by calling 1-866-545-0882 or 545-1130 one week prior to the workshop you are interested in attending. When registering leave name, contact number(s) and ages of children needing care.

Upcoming Activities for Families with Young Children (dated items first, then alpha order)

Natsu Matsuri – Summer Festival

Pacific Beach Hotel

Fridays and Saturdays

5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Now through August 28, 2010

Free admission

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The celebration across Waikiki Beach features a Bon Dance, food booths, children's games, entertainment and more. For more information call 944-3041 or visit

<http://www.pacificbeachhotel.com/Summer-Festival>

Keiki Tuesday
Pearlridge Center, Uptown
Tuesday, August 31, 2010
10:30 a.m.-noon
Free

Kid-friendly entertainers delight the whole family at free celebrations each Tuesday. Bring the keiki for crafts, balloons, storytelling, face-painting, silly songs and more! For more information call 488-0981.

Home Depot's First Saturday Kids Workshop
Saturday, September 4, 2010
Activity: Football Display
9 a.m. – 12 Noon

Local Home Depot Stores Statewide

This an award-winning program that has been offered at The Home Depot stores since 1997. The workshops are free, how-to clinics designed for children ages 5-12, available on the first Saturday of each month between 9 a.m. and 12 noon at all The Home Depot stores. Children, accompanied by an adult, use their skills to create objects that can be used in and around their homes or communities. The workshops teach children do-it-yourself skills and tool safety, while at the same time helping to instill in them a sense of accomplishment and to build self-esteem. Additionally, the program allows for invaluable one-on-one time between adults and children. For more information contact your local Home Depot, or type *Home Depot Kids Workshop* in the search bar of your favorite search engine.

The Contemporary Museum's First Saturday of the Month's *Expression Sessions*

Saturday, September 4, 2010

10:30 a.m. – 12 noon

2411 Makiki Heights Drive in Honolulu

For children ages 5-12, this fun first Saturday program involves children (and their parents) in creating art projects in a variety of media. Teaching artists conduct workshops inspired by the current exhibitions on view. All art supplies included. Come ready to use your imagination and have a creative experience. The visiting artist will lead you on a fun-filled art adventure. For more information visit

http://www.tcmhi.org/cal_public.htm

28th Annual Okinawan Festival
Saturday & Sunday, September 4 – 5, 2010
Kapiolani Park
Free

Come to learn about Okinawan culture in this spectacular event, which will include a variety of entertainment, food and activities for the whole family. For more information visit

www.okinawanfestival.com

Aloha Festivals Annual Keiki Hoolaulea
Pearl Ridge Shopping Center
Saturday, September 11, 2010
Free
10:00 a.m.

This annual event provides keiki with a plethora of activities to participate in and entertainment to watch. For more information visit www.alohafestivals.com or www.pearlridgeonline.com

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Hawaii Potter's Guild
Second Saturday at the Hawaii State Art Museum
250 South Hotel Street
Saturday, September 11, 2010
10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Free

A family event featuring hands-on learning activities and quick tours of the museum. Join Davin Hee and other members of the Hawaii Potters Guild for demonstrations and art activities for all ages. Scheduled art galleries open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., with art activities scheduled from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. For more information, call 586-0900 or visit <http://hawaii.gov/sfca/>

Resources for Families

Kahuku Library Bookmobile
Monday, August 30, Route #1

Internet access and a printer is available. Requests for materials may be placed and items picked up from the Bookmobile. Shelves are stocked with books, CDs, audio books and large type books. For more information call Fran at 293-8935.

Route #1

Key Project Kahaluu from 9:30 – 10:30 p.m.
 Hauula Civic Center from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.
 BYU HC Family Housing from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Route #2

Sunset Beach Christian from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 Kuilima Estates 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Route #3

Pond's at Punaluu from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
 Hanohano Apartments from 10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 Kahana Orientation Center from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 Kaaawa Elementary School from 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Kaiser Permanente's Keiki Passenger Safety (KPS) Program car and booster seat inspections. Participants do not need to be Kaiser Permanente (KP) members. Appointments available between 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. on the days and at the locations listed below. Call the KP Health Education Department at 432-2260 to make an appointment. Questions may be directed to 432-8938 or geila.r.fukumitsu@kp.org.

Kaiser Mapunapuna Clinic
The Old "Ceridian" Building
2828 Paa St.
Honolulu, HI 96819
 August 13, 2010

Kaiser Waipio Clinic
94-1480 Moaniani St.
Waipahu, HI 96797
 August 27, 2010

Kamehameha Schools One-Stop-Shop Services provides assistance in completing KS forms and application for various KS programs. Assistance will be provided at the following places at the following times on the island of O'ahu. Please note that dates and times are subject to change, without notice:

KS Community Learning Center at Nānākuli
89-101 Farrington Highway

Wai'anae Health Academy
86-088 Farrington Highway (Nānākuli)

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8 a.m. – 4 p.m. September 2, 16, 2010	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. September 9, 23, 2010
Queen Lili'uokalani Children's Center Windward Unit 53-516 516 Kamehameha Highway (Hau'ula) 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. September 8, 22, 2010	St. George Church 41-1323 Kalaniana'ole Highway (Waimanalo) 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. September 1, 15, 2010
Windward Mall Shopping Center 46-056 Kamehameha Highway (Kaneohe) 2nd Floor near Sears 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. <u>2010</u> August 31	

For more information call the Oahu Regional Resource Center at 808-534-3994 or 808-534-3994 or visit www.orrcc@ksbe.edu

Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition (KIPC) On January 1, 2007 a law went into effect requiring children between the ages of four through seven to ride in a booster seat whenever traveling in a motor vehicle. The only exemptions are if the child is over 4'9" or if the vehicle has lap-only seat belts in the rear seat. The driver is held responsible for compliance with the law. Violators of Hawaii's Child Passenger Restraint Law are required to attend a 4-hour class and may be assessed a fine between \$100-\$500, depending upon the number of offenses. A Hawaii State tax credit of \$25 per year applies to the purchase of a booster or child safety seat. For more information and basic guidelines on the proper use of booster seats visit <http://www.kipchawaii.org/SafetyFacts/TrafficSafety/keikisafety.aspx> KIPC also conducts Child Safety Seat Checkups. Certified and trained technicians will check to make sure that your car or booster seat is installed properly and that you know how to buckle your keiki into his/her safety seat correctly. Below is a list of upcoming dates and locations.

Date & Time	Location	Contact	Sponsor
Oahu Saturday September 04, 2010 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Waianae Mall	Ruby Rellin 697-3548	WCCHC / KIPC
Oahu Saturday September 25, 2010 9:30am-12:30pm	Shriners Hospital Honolulu 1310 Punahou Street	Mike Meyer jmichaelmeyer@yahoo.com	Shriner's Hospital for Children – Honolulu/KIPC

For the most current information or for other dates and locations, please visit <http://www.kipchawaii.org/EventCalendar/eventcalendar.aspx>

**YWCA Clothing Sale for Dress for Success® Honolulu
Last Tuesday – Friday of every month, August 24 - 27, 2010
Laniakea YWCA (1040 Richards Street) in Downtown Honolulu
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

Save money and discover new and pre-owned women's business, casual and evening attire in all sizes. 100% of the proceeds from the sale will be used to support Dress for Success® Honolulu which provides free interview outfits to help women re-enter the workforce with confidence and style. For more information on the Dress for Success® Honolulu program, including volunteer opportunities, call 695-2603 or visit <http://www.ywca.org/site/pp.asp?c=9fLGJSOyHpE&b=2818573>

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**Screening Exams for New Patients
Free Orthopaedic Care for Children
Shriners Hospital
Saturday, August 28, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Shriners Hospital provides no-cost screening services to identify children who can benefit from the expert orthopaedic and burn care provided at the hospital. If you know of any children under 18 who have problems of the bones, joints or muscles, or problems associated with healed burns, call the hospital at 808-941-4466 for an evaluation to find out if they are eligible for free, expert medical treatment. Appointments encouraged, walk-ins welcomed.