

HANNAH PRESTON-PITA, PSY.D. ED.D,
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Committed, innovative, and enthusiastic individual with extensive leadership and management experience

EXPERIENCE

2012 TO PRESENT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, BIG ISLAND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL

Responsible for providing oversight of organizational operations. Supervises over 65 employees.

2011 TO 2012

LICENSED CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, BIG ISLAND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL

Provided integrated behavioral health services and program development. Conducted assessments, individual, couples and group therapy.

2009 TO 2011

LICENSED CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, PRIVATE PRACTICE

Provided integrated behavioral health services and program development. Conducted assessments, individual, couples and group therapy within a Primary Care Physician's Office and Kahuku Hospital.

2008 TO 2010

LICENSED CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST, WAIMANALO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Provided integrated behavioral health services and program development. Conducted assessments, individual, couples and group therapy within a Primary Care setting.

EDUCATION

2015 TO 2020

DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP, CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY - PORTLAND

RECEIVED DOCTORATE IN EDUCATION – TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP

- 3.96 GPA

2005 TO 2008

DOCTORAL PROGRAM IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY, ARGOSY UNIVERSITY – HONOLULU, HAWAII

RECEIVED MASTERS AND DOCTORATE IN CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGY

Related Honors and Awards:

- 3.8 and above GPA
- Native Hawaii Health Scholar

2000 TO 2002

BACHELORS IN PSYCHOLOGY, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WEST HAWAII

Related Honors and Awards:

- Dean's List
- Graduated Cum Laude
- Member of Phi Theta

1998 TO 2000

ASSOCIATES IN LIBERAL ARTS, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII – WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Related Honors and Awards:

- Dean's List
- Graduated Cum Laude
- Member of Phi Theta

PRE/POST DOCTORAL INTERNSHIP

2008 TO 2010

PRE AND POST-DOCTORAL INTERNSHIP, I OLA LAHUI – WAIMANALO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

2008 TO 2009

PRE-DOCTORAL INTERNSHIP, I OLA LAHUI – MOLOKAI COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER AND NA PU'UWAI

PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

2022 Elia, J., Pang, C., Preston-Pita, H., Onoye, J., and Salvador, M., (2022). Implications for a system of care in Hawaii for pregnant and parenting women in substance use. Hawaii State Department of Health – ADAD, UH JABSOM and Hawaii Youth Services Network.

2020

Milette-Winfrey, M, Orimoto, T., Preston-Pita, H., Schwiter, G., & Nakamura, B. J. (2020). Improving rural mental health service quality through partnerships and innovation. The Journal of Rural and Community Development, 15(1), 33–48.

2017

Orimoto, T.E., Nakamura, B.J., Schwiter, G., Milette-Winfrey, M., & Preston-Pita, H.K. (2017, November). *Examining predictors of successful client discharge between intensive outpatient or intensive outpatient plus therapeutic living within a rural substance abuse treatment program*. Poster presented at the 51st Annual Convention of the Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, San Diego, CA.

Orimoto, T.E., Preston-Pita, H.K. Schwiter, G., & Nakamura, B.J. (2017, October). *Examining outcome predictors in substance abuse treatment in rural Hawai'i*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Hawai'i Psychological Association, Honolulu, HI.

2016

Orimoto, T.E., Preston-Pita, H.K. Schwiter, G., & Nakamura, B.J. (2016, October). *Rural mental health quality improvement efforts through partnerships and innovation*. Poster presented at the Annual Convention of the Hawai'i Psychological Association, Honolulu, HI.

Orimoto, T.E., Nakamura, B.J., Schwiter, G., & Preston-Pita, H.K. (2016, October). *Predictors of successful client discharge within a rural substance abuse treatment program*. Poster presented at the 50th Annual Convention of the Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, New York, NY.

2015

Orimoto, T.E., Vincent, A.M., Nakamura, B.J., Schwiter, G., & Preston-Pita, H.K. (2015, November). *One foot in the door: Predictors of client treatment attendance within a rural substance abuse treatment program*. Poster accepted to the 49th Annual Convention of the Association of Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies, Chicago, IL.

AUTHORED AND SELF-PUBLISHED BOOKS AND THERAPEUTIC RESOURCES

2021

<i>Dash Finds His Inner Peace</i>	Relaxation, manage anger/stress, etc,
<i>Kahana the Laulau Man</i>	Hawaiian values
<i>Finding My Inner Calm Workbook and Cards</i>	Anger and anxiety management
<i>Devin The Angry Volcano</i>	Anger management and coping strategies
<i>Makoa Changes His World</i>	Positive thoughts
<i>Let's Talk Story</i>	Conversation prompts
<i>Tutu Momma</i>	Family game
<i>Mixed Plate of Emotions</i>	Identifying emotions
<i>Kid's Daily Positive Vibing</i>	Positive aspirations
<i>Daily Positive Vibing</i>	Positive aspirations
<i>Proud To Be Me!</i>	Self esteem

AWARDS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Hawaii Public Health Institute Outstanding Service Provider in Tobacco Control – Individual
Awarded to individual provider whose attention has been focused on issues associate with tobacco use and has demonstrated an impact on tobacco control through extensive and outstanding service.

Hawaii Psychological Association Rural Psychologist of the Year
Recognized excellence in the provision of clinical psychology in rural underserved areas.

Mental Health of America Outstanding Mental Health Leader
Recognized as a leader who helps communities thrive.

Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement 'Oiwī Leader
Recognized to individuals who exemplify leadership qualities and are engaged in their community.

State of Hawaii Licensed Clinical Psychologist (Lic # Psy 1165) since 2008

Weinberg Fellowship Program 2015

Post Doctoral Fellowship, I Ola Lāhui (APPIC accredited site) 2008 - 2009

Internship Program, I Ola Lāhui on the islands of O'ahu and Molokai 2007 – 2008

State of Hawaii Department of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division – Certified Substance Abuse Counselor since 2010

Hawaii County Council on the Status of Women 2 years

Board of Director for Mental Health of America 3 years

Board of Director State of Hawaii Substance Abuse Council 5 years

Board of Director Hui Malama Ola Na 'Oiwī 3 years

QUALITIES

Experienced and reputable leader

Innovative

Community-minded

Dedicated

Loyal

Compassionate

Advocacy

Servant Leader

Public Speaker

Change Manager

EXPERIENCE

Business Administration

Financial Management

Fundraising

Human Resource Stewardship

Grant Writing
Capacity and Systems Building
Strategic Planning and Implementation
Non-Profit Sector
Governance
Public Speaking

REFERENCES

Provided upon Request