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SB 510 RELATING TO SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES

Dear Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kahele, and members of the Senate Committee on Education. Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong support for SB 510 Relating to School-Based Health Services.

The Hawai'i State Center for Nursing (HSCN) supports the establishment of sustained State support for the Hawai'i Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn program.

Hawai'i has identified that there is a shortage of primary care providers in the state.¹ Hawai'i has also identified that by investing in healthy babies and families and by taking health to where people live, work, learn and play, we can address influences that affect their health with the goal of improved short term and long term health outcomes.² Further, the HSCN is dedicated to ensuring Hawai'i is the best place for nurses to work believe that excellence in nursing practice leads to quality care for the people of Hawai'i.

The Hawai'i Keiki program seeks to support the efforts to close access to care gaps for school aged children by creating a qualified health resource for them in each Department of Education complex area. The program engages nursing, departments of education, health and human services and community partners in statewide and community based wellness efforts. It improves coordination of care at the school, complex, and state level. Hawai'i Keiki utilizes evidence based practice approaches in its school health services and it supports community-based partnerships with excellent standards in evidence based care.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of SB 510.

¹ https://governor.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Hawaii-State-Health-System-Innovation-Plan-Appendices-June-2016.pdf

² https://health.hawaii.gov/opppd/files/2013/04/Hawaii-Department-of-Health-Strategic-Plan-2015-2018-081616.pdf



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I have read SB 510 HB 672 and have concerns. It is not clear what the outcomes expected are. Something tangible, I hope. I do agree something needs to be done to help our keiki, but providing money to a few nurses whose duties are not clear does not seem to be the solution.

How are you going to measure success for these? (SB No. 510, lines 9-15)

- 1. Comprehensive screening for physical and behavioral health conditions;
- 2. Providing referrals to primary and behavioral health care and patient-centered medical home services;
- 3. Preventing and controlling communicable diseases and other health problems; and
- 4. Providing emergency care for illness or injury.

I currently work with DOH on Kauai and have been working with physicians who are the primary care doctors, as well as physicians who these clients are referred to for follow-up from the screening. There is a huge gap between screenings and the medical piece.

Issues I have are:

1) Majority of primary care physician on Kauai are not even aware of screenings being offered or done in the community.

2) Doctors are not kept in the loop that their patient received a screening, nor given the results of that screenings for their records.

3) If a child needs a referral for an evaluation, the primary doctor may not be told about it or what the outcome of that evaluation is.

4) Screeners are not always trained properly.

5) Who is going to case manage these children to completion of services and keep the physicians informed. One nurse per complex is not going to do it.

As nice as it would be to have medical personnel in all our schools, I really think more thought and planning needs to be put into this.

SB 510 says that Hawaii Keiki Program collaborates with other state agencies. I strongly suggest it work with American Academy of Pediatrics Hawaii Chapter.

Mahalo for your consideration. Sheryl Keliipio, RN



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