

JOHN ERNEST MCCOMAS, MPH

EDUCATION

Masters of Public Health
University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii

Planning Certificate, Pacific Urban Studies and Planning Program
University of Hawaii, Honolulu, Hawaii

B.A., Psychology
University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, California

QUALIFICATIONS

Chief executive with over 40 years health care experience, including 25 years of experience in managed care, as well as 25 years of experience with government health plans (Medicaid, Medicare and CHAMPUS), and community health center support and relationship building. Extensive experience in executive leadership, planning, management, demonstrated expertise in successful proposal and bid development, financial management, all types of contracting, underwriting, customer service, product and network development and insurance rating, negotiations and quality improvement. Strong understanding of the importance of collaborative relationships and social determinants of health. History of substantial volunteer commitments to community health and development activities.

EXPERIENCE

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AlohaCare, a community health center based health plan, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1996-2017. Leader for QUEST (Medicaid) and Medicare Special Needs Plan. During tenure, AlohaCare grew from a start-up to third largest health plan and 29th largest business in Hawaii.

MANAGER/DIRECTOR, CHAMPUS (an HMO Provider Network) Operations, Hawaii Medical Service Association (HMSA), Honolulu, Hawaii, 1993-1996.

MANAGER OF PROVIDER RELATIONS, Hawaii Medical Service Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1988-1993.

SECTION SUPERVISOR, UNDERWRITING DEPARTMENT, Hawaii Medical Service Association, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1978-1988.

CONSULTANT, Queen's Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1978-1979.

RURAL HEALTH CARE CONSULTANT, Pacific, Africa and Europe, 1975-1978.

CONSULTANT, Department of Health Services, Micronesia (Trust Territory of Pacific), 1975.

COORDINATOR AND PLANNER (SR26), State Department of Health, Office of Family Planning, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1974-1975 (first coordinator hired).

INSTRUCTOR, Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1974.

TRAINING COORDINATOR, Lanakila Crafts, Honolulu, Hawaii, 1973-1974.

VOLUNTEER, Peace Corps, Benue-Plateau State, Nigeria, 1966-1969.

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Past Board President, PHOCUSED – a statewide social service advocacy agency

Cofounder and Board Member of National Association of Community Affiliated Plans – Washington, D.C. located health organization

Past Secretary, National Association of Community Health Center Health Plans.

Former Board Member for Hawaii Health Information Exchange (HHIE); Hawaii Health Connector; Big Island Beacon Project.

Past Secretary and Vice President, Hawaii Association of Health Plans.

Past President, Board of Directors, Hina Mauka (a substance abuse treatment agency)

Past Member and past President, Board of Directors, People Attentive to Children (PATCH) (a day-care referral agency)

Past Member, Aloha United Way Agency Allocations Committee

Past Member, Board of Directors, Child and Family Service (a broad-based community service agency)

Past President, Board of Directors, Po'ailani, Inc. (a psychiatric half-way house)

REFERENCES

Provided upon request