

Health Care Task Force Final Report Outline

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May 16, 2006

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Report Requirements: Act 223, SLH 2005

- Develop a plan for implementing health care for all residents of Hawaii
- Contract for expert testimony or studies including but not limited to a cost analysis comparing the status quo with:
 - A single-payer system; and
 - HUP recommendations to decrease the uninsured population

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Report Requirements: Act 223, SLH 2005

- Report findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation.
- Recommendations shall include a cost analysis and a detailed rationale for implementation.

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Report Outline

- Executive Summary
- Background
- Overview of Health Care Coverage in Hawaii
- Focus Areas
- Discussion of Issues & Options
- Task Force Recommendations

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Introduction and Background

- Statement from the Chair
- Purpose and Objectives of Act 223
- List of Task Force Members
- Summary of Task Force Activities

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Overview of Health Care Coverage in Hawaii

- Snapshot of Hawaii's Uninsured
 - Current demographics of uninsured population
- Hawaii's Health Care Landscape
 - PHCA
 - Public programs
 - Current issues and trends affecting access to and cost of health care

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Current Issues and Trends

- Immigrant Health
- Compacts of Free Association
- Hawaii's Low Unemployment Rate
- On-Call & Trauma Care Crisis
- Medical Malpractice Insurance Costs & Tort Reform
- Changes in Medicare Part D

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Focus Areas

- Single-Payer System for Hawaii
- Health Care Coverage Options
- Health Care Facilities & Workforce
- Health Care Costs & Financing

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Single-Payer System for Hawaii

- Background
- RFP Process and Requirements
- Summary of Lewin Group Analysis
- Discussion of Analysis

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Health Care Coverage Options

- Background
- Options:
 - Basic health care plans (*see attached*)
 - Hawaii Essential Insurance Plan (*see attached*)
 - Consumer-driven health care models, i.e., HSAs, coverage based on patient responsibility (*see attached*)
 - Expansion of public programs (removing QUEST enrollment cap, etc.)

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Health Care Coverage Options

- Options (continued)
 - Role of Community Health Centers (*see attached*)
 - Expansion of primary care services
 - Expansion of services to prevent pervasive problems (crystal meth, obesity, chronic conditions, etc.)
 - Expansion of CHC facilities
 - Health care referral system (Project Access in Asheville, NC) (*see attached*)

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Health Care Coverage Options

- Options (continued)
 - Care for the chronically ill
 - Evidence-based complementary and alternative medicine (*see attached*)
 - Redesign health care model to include prevention, worksite wellness, etc.

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Health Care Facilities & Workforce

- Background
- Options:
 - Availability of Health Care Providers; Recruitment/Retention Barriers
 - Health care provider map
 - Gather data through license renewal

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Health Care Facilities & Workforce

- Options (continued)
 - Technology
 - Acquisition of health information technology systems at CHCs (*see attached*)
 - Telehealth capabilities at CHCs
 - Computerized electronic infrastructure to connect all providers, plans, employers, patients

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Health Care Costs & Financing

- Background
- Options:
 - Funding strategies to pay for any proposed coverage options
 - Strategies to pay for specialty and inpatient care for the uninsured

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Health Care Costs & Financing

- Other Issues
 - Rising cost of retiree health care coverage and growing trend of reduced benefits or dropped coverage by employers
 - Growing number of early retirees having a difficult time finding affordable health coverage
 - Impact of federal budget cuts on public programs
 - Cost/benefit analysis of CHC funding

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Recommendations

- Policy Options and Recommended Legislation
 - Health Care Provider Map
 - Health Care Coverage for Children
 - *More???*
- Next Steps

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- The Lewin Group
- Hawai`i Uninsured Project

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Next Steps

- May 2006 (1-2 meetings)
 - Review, discuss, prioritize outstanding issues
 - Make final recommendations
- June 2006 (1-2 meetings)
 - Review, discuss and approve final report
 - Task force will cease to operate June 30