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Rose Ann Poyzer

Hawaii State Center for Nursing Advisory Board

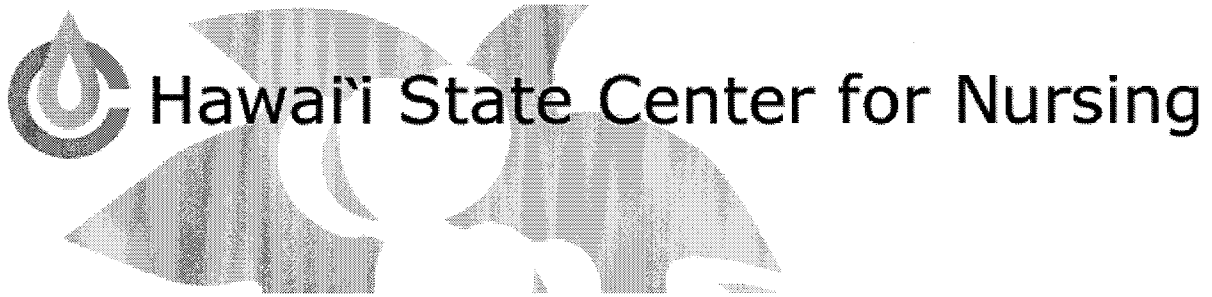
Chair Sakamoto, members of the Senate Committee on Education, thank you for this opportunity to present background about myself for your consideration of my confirmation to the Hawaii State Center for Nursing Advisory Board.

I have previously submitted my educational background and experiences as a nurse that I feel qualify me to continue to be a member of the Center for Nursing Advisory Board.

I am sincerely interested in continuing to serve on this Nursing Advisory Board and will continue to work diligently to assure that the State of Hawaii has the nursing resources necessary to meet the health care needs of its people by addressing nursing workforce issues.

I welcome the challenges that have yet to be met. I look forward to being able to continue to work with the other talented members of the Nursing Advisory Board and the most qualified staff of the Hawaii State Center for Nursing. The combined expertise of the Advisory Board and the staff will help make it possible to accomplish the Goals of the Center.

Thank you so much for your support and consideration of my nomination to the Hawaii State Center for Nursing Advisory Board.



**Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committee on Higher Education
March 7, 2008**

**By
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**GM 348: Consideration and Confirmation to the Center for Nursing
Advisory Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, Rose Ann Poyzer, for a term to
expire 6-30-2012**

Chair Sakamoto, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

I am pleased to recommend the re-appointment of Rose Ann Poyzer to the Hawai'i State Center for Nursing Advisory Board. Rose Ann has been a committed member of the Board since its inception in January, 2004, representing the Healthcare Association of Hawai'i.

Rose Ann brings decades of experience to the Board. She has been a valued member of the nursing community in Hawai'i for decades, and is considered to be the founder of home care in our state. She brings a valuable perspective from the overall healthcare environment as well as that of a nurse who continues to be actively involved in our community. She has been committed and involved as a member since her initial appointment.

She has participated in the development and revision of the strategic plan and has played an active role in overseeing and guiding the accomplishments of the Center. She participates actively in Center initiatives such as the Nursing Shortage Taskforce and the 2007 Nursing Workforce Summit, and has made significant contributions to our work. It will be highly beneficial for the Advisory Board to continue to have her perspective and experience as well as the respect that she brings from the community.

Thank you for the opportunity to recommend Rose Ann Poyzer for re-appointment to the Advisory Board.



SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair

Conference Room 225

March 7, 2008 at 1:15 p.m.

Testimony in support of GM 348.

I am Rich Meiers, President and CEO of the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, which represents the entire spectrum of health care, including acute care hospitals, two-thirds of the long term care beds in Hawaii, as well as home care and hospice providers. I regret that I shall not be able to testify in person due to a mainland trip. However, I appreciate this opportunity to submit written testimony in support of GM 348, which nominates Rose Ann Poyzer to the Center for Nursing Advisory Board.

I have had the honor of working directly with Ms. Poyzer on a daily basis over several years while she was employed at the Healthcare Association of Hawaii. I have also worked with her on various issues before and after that. In all of my experiences, Ms. Poyzer has demonstrated the highest professional standards, a thorough knowledge of the complex health care environment, a capacity to see different sides of an issue, and an ability to work with other people with different interests. She is a nurse who is dedicated to patient care and who recognizes that public policy shapes the way that patient care is delivered.

Ms. Poyzer has a wide variety of experiences in health care, and I am sure that her experiences, her knowledge, and her ability to work with others will make her a valued asset to the Center for Nursing Advisory Board.

For the foregoing reasons, the Healthcare Association supports GM 348.