



GOV. MSG. NO. 394

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

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February 5, 2008

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **State Council on Mental Health**:

Candace M. Sandal

Term to Expire: 6/30/2012

Sincerely,

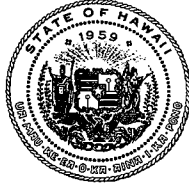
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Senate Committee on Health

**GM 394, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE TO THE STATE COUNCIL ON
MENTAL HEALTH**

**Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D.
Director of Health**

March 31, 2008, 1:15 p.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination of Candace M. Sandal
2 to the State Council on Mental Health (SCMH) for a second four-year term.

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

4 **Purpose and Justification:** Ms. Candace M. Sandal currently serves as the second Vice-Chair on the
5 State Council on Mental Health. Her SCMH membership position is also representative of mandated
6 Kauai Service Area Board (SAB) representation on the Council (HRS 334-10). Her membership
7 position also contributes to the SCMH membership mandate (P.L.102-321) that not less than 50% of
8 members are not state employees or providers of mental health services. In both 2006 and 2007,
9 Ms. Sandal has been chosen by the Council to be their representative at national State Plan Peer
10 Reviews. Ms. Sandal's advocacy efforts have provided a productive voice for mental health consumers.
11 In bringing issues forward, she has provided opportunities for state agencies to collaborate for improved
12 service delivery. Her re-appointment will be a positive asset to the functioning of the Council.

13 Thank you for your positive consideration of this request.