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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Rural areas in Hawaii have been suffering a  
2 lack of primary health care providers. These areas with high  
3 concentrations of lower-income families traditionally rely on  
4 community health centers for health care. Community health  
5 centers such as the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center  
6 and the Waimanalo Health Center also provide cultural services  
7 and integrated care, including integrated behavioral health  
8 services that are vital to the patient populations they serve.

9           The department of human services offers a variety of health  
10 care plans for lower-income families, such as the QUEST expanded  
11 access program. However, there are reports that the two health  
12 plans that have been awarded contracts under the QUEST expanded  
13 access programs do not have an adequate network of primary care  
14 providers.

15           The purpose of this Act is to establish the medical home  
16 demonstration project to ensure that the medical needs of rural  
17 areas such as Waianae and Waimanalo are met.



1 SECTION 2. (a) There is established the medical home  
2 demonstration project within the department of human services.  
3 The demonstration project shall be excluded from the QUEST  
4 expanded access program.

5 (b) The demonstration project shall only be available to  
6 patients who select either the Waianae Coast Comprehensive  
7 Health Center or Waimanalo Health Center as their primary care  
8 provider.

9 (c) The department of human services shall contract with  
10 AlohaCare to manage the care of patients under the demonstration  
11 project at a capitation rate of one per cent of the lowest  
12 bidder under the QUEST expanded access program.

13 (d) Contractors under the demonstration project shall  
14 offer all services offered by plans under the QUEST expanded  
15 access program and provide documentation to the department of  
16 human services that a provider network sufficient to deliver all  
17 services to the community will be in place.

18 (e) Contractors under the medical home demonstration  
19 project shall provide the following medical home services:

- 20 (1) Community outreach;  
21 (2) Job training services;



1 (3) Complete federally qualified health center enabling  
2 and facilitating services; and

3 (4) Traditional Hawaiian healing services.

4 (f) The demonstration project shall include a pay for  
5 performance component that includes the following:

6 (1) Beyond the basic payment mechanisms established for  
7 the delivery of QUEST expanded access services, the  
8 contracted provider shall set aside four per cent of  
9 the contracted funds for incentives for the medical  
10 homes to implement electronic medical records; and

11 (2) Establishing mutually agreeable performance metrics  
12 that will systematically improve the quality of care  
13 delivered and that will measure the value of  
14 integration care services.


15 (g) The demonstration project shall cease to exist no  
16 later than June 30, 2012.

17 SECTION 3. The department of human services shall submit a  
18 report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the  
19 convening of the regular sessions of 2010, 2011, and 2012, on  
20 the status, progress, and effectiveness of the medical home  
21 demonstration project.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Medical Home Demonstration Project

**Description:**

Establishes the Medical Home Demonstration Project to contract with AlohaCare to provide primary care to patients of the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and Waimanalo Health Center.

