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July 9, 2013

**GOV. MSG. NO. 1377**

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim,  
President  
and Members of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki,  
Speaker and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 9, 2013, the following bill was signed into law:

HB417 HD2 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS  
CORPORATION  
**ACT 271 (13)**

Sincerely,

SHAN TSUTSUI  
Acting Governor, State of Hawaii

on JUL 9 2013

ORIGINAL

ACT 271

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2013  
STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. 417  
H.D. 2  
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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State faces a  
2 severe shortage of healthcare providers. This situation is  
3 particularly acute in primary care, where most of the  
4 prevention, early intervention, and healthcare cost savings  
5 occur.

6 The legislature further finds that the Hawaii health  
7 systems corporation primary care training program is an  
8 effective way to reduce the impact of the shortage of primary  
9 care providers and improve access to healthcare throughout the  
10 State. Administered by Hilo medical center in coordination with  
11 the Hawaii health systems corporation regions, this  
12 interdisciplinary program includes: the Hawaii island family  
13 medicine residency program; training for advanced practice  
14 nurses from the school of nursing and dental hygiene at the  
15 University of Hawaii at Manoa and the school of nursing at the  
16 University of Hawaii at Hilo; clinical pharmacists from the  
17 University of Hawaii at Hilo's college of pharmacy; and post-



1 doctoral fellows from I Ola Lahui, an organization that trains  
2 psychologists to meet the needs of residents of rural areas.

3 The success of this training model, which will be expanded  
4 to other neighbor island health facilities, will generate  
5 interdisciplinary teams capable of caring for four times as many  
6 patients as independent practicing physicians. Hawaii will  
7 benefit greatly as the Hawaii health systems corporation  
8 regions' program will eliminate the need to train or attract  
9 unattainably high numbers of physicians.

10 The purpose of this Act is to address the shortage of  
11 primary care providers in the State by appropriating funds for  
12 the interdisciplinary Hawaii health systems corporation primary  
13 care training program at Hilo medical center.

14 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
15 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,800,000 or so much  
16 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 for the  
17 interdisciplinary Hawaii health systems corporation primary care  
18 training program at Hilo medical center.

19 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii health  
20 systems corporation for the purposes of this Act.

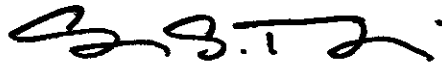
21 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.



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APPROVED this 9 day of JUL , 2013



ACTING GOVERNOR OF HAWAII