

Monday, March 17, 2014; 1:45 pm
Conference Room 229

The Senate Committee on Health

To: Senator Josh Green, Chair
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

From: Art Gladstone RN MBA
Chief Nurse Executive – Hawai'i Pacific Health
Chief Operating Office – Straub Clinic & Hospital

**Re: HB 2099, HD 1 Relating To Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
Testimony in Support**

My name is Art Gladstone, Chief Nurse Executive at Hawai'i Pacific Health (HPH) and I am also the Chief Operating Officer at Straub Clinic & Hospital. Hawai'i Pacific Health is a not-for-profit health care system, and the state's largest health care provider and non-government employer. It is committed to providing the highest quality medical care and service to the people of Hawai'i and the Pacific Region through its four hospitals, more than 50 outpatient clinics and service sites, and over 1,600 affiliated physicians. Hawai'i Pacific Health's hospitals are Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women & Children, Pali Momi Medical Center, Straub Clinic & Hospital and Wilcox Memorial Hospital.

I am writing in support of HB 2099, HD1 which seeks to amend various sections of the Hawaii Revised Statutes to enable advanced practice registered nurses to practice to the fullest extent of their training and education.

This measure specifically identifies obsolete laws that have anti-competitive effects which create barriers to consumer access to high quality health care provided by APRNs. Some examples of those barriers are laws which require supervision by or collaboration with another health care provider, that lack provider neutral language, and that prohibit or limit institutional privileges.

In 2011, the Hawaii State Legislature adopted the National Council of State Boards of Nursing's APRN Consensus Model. Together with the changes proposed in HB 2099, HD1 APRN's in Hawaii will be better able to provide quality health care to patients to the full extent of their education and training. Additionally, HB 2099, HD1 will help to realign obsolete laws with the changes made to the laws between 2009 and 2011. Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



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The Hawaii State Center for Nursing greatly appreciates this Committee's review of the existing state laws and strongly supports HB 2099, HD1. This measure specifically identifies obsolete laws that have anticompetitive effects which create barriers to consumer access to high quality Consumer Protection and Commerce care provided by APRNs. These barriers include, but are not limited to, laws which require supervision by or collaboration with another Consumer Protection and Commerce care provider, lacks provider neutral language (recognizes physician as the only provider), and prohibit or limit institutional privileges.

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My name is Cindy Kamikawa, Vice President, Nursing, Trauma, ED and Chief Nursing Officer with The Queen's Medical Center (QMC), in support of HB 2099, HD1, Relating to Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs).

APRNs in Hawaii are a vital part of Hawaii's healthcare landscape. APRNs are responsible in many settings for direct patient care, such as hospitals, clinics, and private offices. APRNs have advanced education, knowledge and skills to care for patients. They are fully prepared to assess, diagnose, manage patient problems, order tests, and prescribe medications. As ACA continues to come fully into effect and newly insured individuals seek medical care, many new Hawaii residents will encounter the severe physician shortage we are all already so aware of. Access to care can be increased if APRNs are allowed to practice to the full extent of their education and training. Since 2011, APRNs have been statutorily authorized with prescriptive authority in hospitals. This has positively impacted patient well-being in the hospital setting by providing more timely access to quality care.

Allowing APRNs to practice to the fullest extent of their licensure will help to increase access, productivity, and quality medical services throughout the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.



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From: George Greene
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Re: **Testimony in Support**
HB 2099, HD 1 — Relating to Advanced Practice Registered Nurses

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 2099, HD 1, which would improve patient access to medical care by clarifying the circumstances under which advanced practice registered nurses may practice their profession to the fullest extent of their training and education.

Various sections of the Hawaii Revised Statutes omit advanced practice registered nurses from the definitions or designations of health care entities who may provide health care, prescribe drugs, or sign forms. These outdated statutes should be amended to authorize increased participation by advanced practice registered nurses, recognizing appropriately trained advanced practice registered nurses as primary care providers.

By authorizing increased participation by advanced practice registered nurses in certain circumstances, especially with regard to global signature authority, HB 2099, HD 1 will enable improved access to health care services, expedite the processing of paperwork, and provide optimal care at the initial point of access for Hawaii patients, especially in rural and underserved areas.

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**PRESENTATION OF THE
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

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**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2099, H.D. 1, RELATING TO ADVANCED
PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.**

TO THE HONORABLE JOSH GREEN, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer of the Board of Nursing ("Board"). I appreciate the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 2099, H.D. 1, Relating to Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, that would amend sections in various Hawaii Revised Statutes to enable advanced practice registered nurses to practice to the full extent of their training and education.

The Board supports this bill, and thanks you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 2099, H.D. 1.

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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair
and members of the Committee on Health

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of this bill, HB 2099

I am an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) in practice in Hilo. Hawaii Island experiences a distressing shortage of specialty and primary health care providers. APRNs have begun to fill the gap, and play an important role in providing otherwise inaccessible health care to the residents of Hawaii Island. APRNs are an important part of the health care workforce in Hawaii, serving Hawaiians in all walks of life throughout their childhood and adult years.

I greatly appreciate this Committee's review of the existing state laws and strongly support HB 2099. This measure specifically identifies obsolete laws that have anticompetitive effects which create barriers to consumer access to high quality health care provided by APRNs. These barriers include, but are not limited to, laws which require supervision by or collaboration with another health care provider, lack provider neutral language (recognizes physician as the only provider), and prohibit or limit institutional privileges.

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Therefore, I respectfully requests that this Committee pass HB 2099 unamended. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

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415 South Beretania Street

Dear Chair Green and members of the Committee:

I am pleased to write to you in support of HB 2099. As an active faculty member for the advanced practice nursing programs of both University of Hawaii School's of Nursing, and the University of New Mexico and Saint Francis University in prior years, I have extensive experience in both training and working with advanced practice nurses. Hawaii, like the rest of the country is experiencing a deepening shortage of primary care providers and will increasingly depend on care teams that include advanced practice nurses to provide high quality care to ourselves, our families, and our neighbors. While ideally, we will all work in teams, there are times when advanced practice nurses will be operating independently as allowed by state law. As such, they need to have the capacity to provide all of the care needed, including signing orders for patients to receive home care, medical equipment such as hospital beds, and signing off on orders promoting or limiting end of life care in emergency situations. When they cannot, this "busywork" of signatures gets passed off to physician colleagues or friends who do not know the patient well or these critical items simply do not get completed, depriving patients of care.

I urge you to complete the work previously done by the Legislature in providing Hawaii's citizens with advanced practice nurses as health care providers by passing HB 2099-HD1 which corrects a number of earlier oversights.

Sincerely,

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Comments: To help with impending shortage of primary care providers as the ACA advances it is imperative APRN's be allowed to practice to their full scope.

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