

Nominee - Mary Catie

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Senator Rosalyn Baker

Maui County

Rosalyn:

Please find my response to the eight necessary questions regarding the Health Care Initiative Council meeting on Thursday, March 24, 2016. For State Health Planning .

- 1) As an active member to the SHPDA for four years, the need to continue enhancing my knowledge or existing services and needs for Healthcare in Lanai City, Maui County.
- 2) Perception of the role and responsibility as a member of this council has instilled in me to always be aware of ongoing concerns in this community. Areas include Healthcare, being aware of local meetings to include time date, and place or arrange for off island travel if necessary. Also need to meet County of Maui officials when planning visits to Lanai as possible.
- 3) Consumers are often unaware of rights and responsibilities regarding billing issues, referrals, services and education for Quality Assurance, which is often misunderstood.
- 4) Qualifications or Justification for Board Membership include providing Health Care services on Lanai for 40 years. This would 30 years at Lanai Community Hospital to include Senior Staff Nurse, Director of Nursing for 13 years, Acting Admin . Experience, and Public Health Nursing for one year. Retired from Hospital in December 2008, and then continued to provide nursing care to the Community for the Ke Ola Hou Hawaiian Health office. This position included health teaching, home Health care for the disabled, and other HealthCare teaching in the community as requested. Also allowed me to provide a semester of Nurse Aide instruction at University of Hawaii Lanai campus . Continuing space not available after that completed.
- 5) To participate in the Council would simulate the need to be aware of issues, progress, and the goal would be improvement in challenging areas.
- 6) We have many new community members who have many questions regarding the conditions of healthcare on Lanai. I have enjoyed reviewing history stories and enlightening them in how much progress has indeed been accomplished from modern Air Ambulance flights to Pharmaceutical advances. I also continue to be not only experienced but licensed, caring, and responsible.
- 7) As a State Health Planning Developmental Agency member for four years, each meeting is a stimulating experience.
- 8) Presently we have many changes on this island, and this contributes to the confusion of the longtime residents who display reluctance to seek necessary follow-up for conditions. I am stopped in the store as well as called at home with persons seeking answers. We have new land management, as well as an entire new Health Care Provider system for the Hospital.
- 9) Willing to participate in problem solving for more years.

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