

SB513

Measure Title: RELATING TO CONTRACEPTIVE SUPPLIES.

Report Title: Pharmacists; Prescriptive Authority; Contraceptive Supplies; Requirements

Description: Authorizes pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptive supplies to patients, regardless of a previous prescription from an authorized prescriber. Specifies requirements pharmacists must meet prior to prescribing and dispensing contraceptive supplies.

Companion: [HB675](#)

Package: Women's Legislative Caucus

Current Referral: CPH

Introducer(s): BAKER, INOUE, KIDANI, SHIMABUKURO, TOKUDA, Kim

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF PHARMACY**

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2017

Friday, February 24, 2017
9:30 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 513, RELATING TO CONTRACEPTIVE
SUPPLIES.**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer for the Board of Pharmacy ("Board"). I appreciate the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 513, Relating to Contraceptive Supplies, which would authorize pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptive supplies to patients.

The Board supports this bill which is similar to a measure introduced in 2016, House Bill No. 1896, with the exception that Senate Bill No. 513 does not include provisions for reimbursement of the pharmacy services being proposed

Should this bill proceed, we respectfully request that the following language, taken from House Bill No. 1896, SLH 2016, be included to recognize pharmacists as providers for reimbursement of the following pharmacy services:

"§431:10A-116.6 Contraceptive services. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, each employer group accident and health or sickness policy, contract, plan, or agreement issued or renewed in this State on or after January 1, 2000, shall cease to exclude contraceptive services or supplies for the subscriber or

any dependent of the subscriber who is covered by the policy, subject to the exclusion under section 431:10A-116.7.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), all policies, contracts, plans, or agreements under subsection (a), that provide contraceptive services or supplies, or prescription drug coverage, shall not exclude any prescription contraceptive supplies or impose any unusual copayment, charge, or waiting requirement for such supplies.

(c) Coverage for oral contraceptives shall include at least one brand from the monophasic, multiphasic, and the progestin-only categories. A member shall receive coverage for any other oral contraceptive only if:

- (1) Use of brands covered has resulted in an adverse drug reaction; or
- (2) The member has not used the brands covered and, based on the member's past medical history, the prescribing health care provider believes that use of the brands covered would result in an adverse reaction.

(d) Coverage required by this section shall include reimbursement to a prescribing and dispensing pharmacist who prescribes and dispenses contraceptive supplies pursuant to section 461- .

~~(d)~~ (e) For purposes of this section:

"Contraceptive services" means physician-delivered, physician-supervised, physician assistant-delivered, ~~[nurse practitioner-delivered,]~~ advanced practice registered nurse-delivered, certified nurse midwife-delivered, nurse-delivered, or

pharmacist-delivered medical services intended to promote the effective use of contraceptive supplies or devices to prevent unwanted pregnancy.

"Contraceptive supplies" means all United States Food and Drug Administration-approved contraceptive drugs or devices used to prevent unwanted pregnancy.

~~[(e)]~~ (f) Nothing in this section shall be construed to extend the practice or privileges of any health care provider beyond that provided in the laws governing the provider's practice and privileges."

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Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health
Friday, February 24, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

by
Carolyn Ma, PharmD, BCOP
DEAN
UH Hilo – Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy (DKICP)

SB 513 – RELATING TO CONTRACEPTIVE SUPPLIES

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Nishihara, and members of the committee:

My name is Carolyn Ma, and I am the Dean for the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy (DKICP). The college fully supports this bill that will authorize pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptive supplies to patients.

In relation to this bill, all U.S. accredited colleges of pharmacy more than adequately prepare student pharmacists in courses related to this area of pharmacology and therapeutic practice. Courses in contraceptive and hormonal pharmacology, reproductive physiology, and women's health are taught in the 3rd professional year. Education is provided throughout the four-year professional curriculum on medication assessment and therapeutic recommendations via related laboratory tests and subjective/objective findings related to disease and drug therapy. Experiential clinical rotations in ambulatory care clinics and in community pharmacies also provide practical experience for student pharmacists so they are well prepared for this component of reproductive health practice in their careers.

The DKICP has held discussions with the Oregon State University School of Pharmacy who provide a certification course in order for pharmacists to provide this service. Both schools are willing to partner in order to provide this certification course for Hawai'i licensed pharmacists. Two approved providers in Hawai'i, the DKICP and Hawai'i Pacific Health may offer ACPE accredited programs and fulfill the required continuing education units outlined in the proposed bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on SB 513.

**American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
District VIII, Hawaii (Guam & American Samoa) Section**
Greigh Hirata, MD, FACOG, Chair



To: Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Sen. Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Sen. Clarence Nishihara, Vice Chair

DATE: Friday, February 24, 2017 (0930)

FROM: Hawaii Section, ACOG
Dr. Greigh Hirata, MD, FACOG, Chair
Dr. Jennifer Salcedo, MD, MPH, MPP, FACOG, Vice-Chair
Lauren Zirbel, Community and Government Relations

**Statement of the Hawaii Section of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
SB 513: OPPOSE**

The Hawaii Section of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (HI ACOG) supports over-the-counter access to oral contraceptive pills and opposes SB 513 and other legislative proposals that take only intermediate steps toward such access. As a Section of the Nation's leading group of physicians dedicated to improving health care for women, HI ACOG represents more than 200 obstetrician/gynecologist physicians in our state.

Over-the-Counter Access to Oral Contraceptive Pills

- Women are able to appropriately self-screen for contraindications to combined oral contraceptive pills, the most commonly used short-term hormonal contraceptive method.
- The provision of other preventive health services, such as cervical cancer screening and sexually transmitted infection testing is not medically required to initiate or continue hormonal contraception.
- Payment for pharmacist services by insurance companies and inappropriate pharmacist refusal to provide hormonal contraception may present additional access barriers to hormonal contraception.

For these reasons, **HI ACOG supports over-the-counter access to oral contraceptive pills and is unable to support intermediate steps toward such access, such as SB 513.** We stand ready to provide you with factual information on medical issues that come before the Legislature, and hope you will contact us at any time.

Over-the-counter access to oral contraceptives. Committee Opinion No. 544. American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. *Obstet Gynecol* 2012; 120:1527-31.



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February 24, 2017

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Consumer Protection, and Health

Re: SB 513 – Relating to Contraceptive Supplies

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Nishihara, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Medical Service Association (HMSA) appreciates the opportunity to offer testimony on SB 513, which would authorize pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptive supplies to patients, regardless of a previous prescription from an authorized prescriber, and specifies requirements pharmacists must meet prior to prescribing and dispensing contraceptive supplies.

HMSA supports the intent of SB 513 and last year worked closely with the stakeholders involved to reach consensus on areas of concern that existed in previous drafts of a similar bill. HMSA offers the following comments for the Committee's consideration on this measure which seeks to remove barriers to particular prescription contraceptives for members:

- Section 2(c)(2), which would require a prescribing pharmacist to track whether a member has received a clinical visit within three years of dispensing from the initial prescription, could be administratively challenging from an implementation and oversight perspective. In addition we would like to ensure that a proper medical record is maintained and shared with the identified primary care physician.
- We would also note that unlike previous versions of the Bill, there is no explicitly referenced age requirement or restrictions associated with the prescription.

Both Oregon and California have enacted similar legislation and may provide examples of how best to implement such a program and ensure there is a focus on medical necessity, safety, and proper oversight.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on SB 513.

Sincerely,

Mark K. Oto
Director, Government Relations.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Hiromi Saito	Hawaii Pharmacists Association	Support	No

Comments: TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH COMMITTEE My name is Hiromi Saito, RPh, President of the Hawaii Pharmacists Association (HPhA). HPhA strongly supports this bill that will increase access to prescription contraceptive supplies and decrease barriers for women in the State of Hawaii. Pharmacists are medication therapy experts who have knowledge of medication conditions which are one of the important factors to determine which methods to furnish the contraceptives. Pharmacists also educate and emphasize how to use the contraceptives correctly and have individuals information of other medications to evaluate the drug interactions. Pharmacists increase the access to the contraceptive safely and effectively with those reasons, which has been already proved by the other states pharmacists, such as Oregon or California. HPhA supports SB 513 for these reasons. Thank you for your time. Hiromi Saito, RPH, BCACP President Hawaii Pharmacists Association PO Box 22954

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DATE: February 23, 2017

TO: Senator Rosalyn Baker
Chair, Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health
Submitted Via Capitol Website

RE: **S.B. 513 – Relating to Contraceptive Supplies**
Hearing Date: Friday, February 24, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.
Conference Room: 229

Dear Chair Baker and Members of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health:

We submit this testimony on behalf of Walgreen Co. (“Walgreens”). Walgreens operates stores at more than 8,200 locations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. In Hawaii, Walgreens now has 20 stores on the islands of Oahu, Maui, and Hawaii.

Walgreens **supports** S.B. 513, which authorizes pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptive supplies. The bill also specifies requirements pharmacists must meet prior to prescribing and dispensing contraceptive supplies.

Hawaii faces a growing primary care provider shortage, particularly in rural areas. Pharmacists are the very accessible healthcare providers, due to their location and hours, and are in a unique position to alleviate this shortage by practicing at the height of their profession. Pharmacists have training in the area of comprehensive contraception counseling, and are also trained to ensure that the selection of contraceptives is safe, effective, and that patients will not have adverse drug interactions.

Oregon and California recently passed laws that allow pharmacists to prescribe hormonal contraceptives to patients without seeing a doctor. We believe that increasing

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Matthew W. Tsujimura

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access to hormonal contraceptives for women, similar to these other states, will improve the overall public health in Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of this measure.



**Testimony to the
COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair
February 24, 2017 at 9:30 A.M.
Conference Room 229, State Capitol
RE: SB513 Relating to Contraceptive Supplies**

The Hawaii Public Health Association (HPHA) SUPPORTS SB513 Relating to Contraceptive Supplies.

HPHA is an association of over 600 community members, public health professionals and organizations statewide dedicated to improving public health. HPHA also serves as a voice for public health professionals and as a repository for information about public health in the Pacific.

HPHA **supports the passage of SB513** which authorizes pharmacists to prescribe and dispense contraceptive supplies.

In 2010, 56% of all 16,000 pregnancies in Hawaii were unplanned. The unintended pregnancy rate was reported 61 per 1,000 women ages 15–44. Publicly supported family planning centers aided 19,800 female contraceptive clients in 2013. These locations met 28% of women’s need for contraceptive services and helped avert 4,800 unintended pregnancies in 2013. This program was projected to have prevented 2,400 unplanned births and 1,600 abortions. However, many women do not seek care for unintended pregnancy, due to scheduling issues, costs of care, or not wanting to go through an embarrassing GYN examination to obtain a doctor’s prescription.

Over-The-Counter (OTC) contraceptives would expedite the process for women to receive a fitting birth control method and prevent pregnancy. Birth control methods including pills, patches, and rings will still require prescriptions after taking a brief health questionnaire, but will be more easily accessible as OTC. Pharmacists who complete a specific training program can give prescriptions directly, and can determine which hormonal methods might be appropriate and safe. Women will still be highly encouraged to attend annual exams to test for cervical cancer, sexually transmitted infections, and other critical health concerns. This legislation will support more women through safe birth control methods and will reduce rates of unintended pregnancy, as well as pregnancy termination. Ensuring that these OTC prescriptions are covered by health insurance is an important aspect of the access to care process.

HPHA supports the encouragement of safe and accessible birth control methods for women in Hawaii. OTC contraceptives are an attainable way to prevent unintended or unwanted pregnancies. This bill will deter the overuse of emergency contraception, pregnancy termination, and other methods of pregnancy prevention that can be considered unsafe if over-used or used improperly.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on important health issues affecting people in Hawai'i.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Holly Kessler". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Holly Kessler, Executive Director
Hawaii Public Health Association

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Field	Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii	Comments Only	No

Comments: See attachment.

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February 21, 2017

To: Hawai'i State Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
Hearing Date/Time: Friday, February 24, 2017 (9:30 a.m.)
Place: Hawai'i State Capitol, Rm. 229
Re: Testimony of American Association of University Women – Hawai'i in **OPPOSITION to S.B. 513**, relating to health, pharmacists, and birth control

Dear Senator Rozalyn H. Baker (Chair), Senator Clarence K. Nishihara (Vice Chair), and Members of the Committee,

I am grateful for this opportunity to testify in **strong opposition to S.B. 514**, relating to health and the ability of pharmacists to provide a limited range of birth control prescriptions.

My testimony is on behalf of the approximately 400 members of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) in Hawai'i, who list women's reproductive medical care as an important current concern. In addition, I teach at the University of Hawai'i – Manoa, and conversations with my students in Gender Violence courses have made me aware of students' lack of knowledge about different forms of birth control. The course is not focused on birth control, but students make remarks in class, which demonstrate their misunderstanding of basic reproductive processes, including contraception.

Based on these experiences, I argue that opposing S.B. 513 is important, since it does not include the education necessary for selecting appropriate birth control, nor access to all available birth control methods. Women deserve contraceptive choice, and the privacy necessary for the type of detailed discussion, which allows for an informed product selection.

I pick up my medications at pharmacies. I can't imagine having a conversation with CVS, or Longs' pharmacist of the day about contraception, with other people overhearing me. I can imagine feeling embarrassed. Under these circumstances, I would be unlikely to ask too many questions, and might not understand the information, provided in a rush.

Hawai'i has high numbers of unplanned births. In this environment, it makes sense to promote contraceptive understanding, and access to the full range of contraceptive choices. Selection of appropriate birth control may be one of the most important decisions that a woman makes in her lifetime, and she needs specialized provision of information, in a supportive atmosphere.

In conclusion, I oppose S.B. 513, given its current flaws.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely

Susan J. Wurtzburg, Ph.D.

Policy Chair

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Maria Teresa Belardo	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I strongly support SB513, please pass this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gerry Fujii	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Highly recommend adding an addendum to state the recognition of the Pharmacist with provider status in the State of Hawaii. This truly reflects the current standard of practice of Pharmacy in our State.

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Diana G. Smith	Individual	Support	No

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Ronald Taniguchi, Pharm.D.	Individual	Support	No

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Honorable Rosalyn Baker, Chair
and Members of the Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health Committee

I support SB 513 Relating to Contraceptive Supplies. I commend the intent of the bill to improve access to prescription contraception medications.

In collaboration Hawaii Pharmacist have established trust within the community and with health care providers, We should continue to work within this framework and promote team health care .

Please consider removing “authority to prescribe and dispense requirement” and replace with “initiate”. Section 3 of HRS 461 allows Pharmacist to initiate emergency contraception oral drug therapy. Suggest you add “and self-administered hormonal contraception”. Also add that the Pharmacist shall provide the recipient a standardized fact sheet and shall refer the recipient to their collaborator.

Also, consider amending SB 513 to recognize Pharmacy Practice as a dynamic, patient-oriented health service that applies a scientific body of knowledge to improve and promote patient health by means of appropriate drug use, drug related therapy and communication for clinical and consultative purposes. Pharmacy Practice is continually evolving to include sophisticated and comprehensive patient care activities,

SB 513 should declare that Pharmacist are health care providers who have the authority to provide health care services.

Sincerely,

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Betty Sestak	Individual	Oppose	No

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By
Ashley Gordon

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Thank you for allowing me to testify.

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Comments: Pharmacists across the United States are increasingly providing contraceptives by protocol, collaborative agreements and as part of their expanded scope of practice. This legislation removes a barrier to access and will serve the community and state at large well. Please pass this legislation out of committee as written.

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