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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Wednesday, January 3, 2018
TIME: 1:00PM
PLACE: Conference Room 329
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

In Hawaii 168,000 residents suffer from chronic kidney disease, with 4,000 requiring dialysis treatments on any given day. With 700 new dialysis patients added each year to the need of treatment, the dialysis centers struggle to keep up with the high medical need as many dialysis centers which are completely built with all the required new medical equipment sit idle awaiting the review and certification process.

The purpose of this Briefing will be to allow the Department of Health to provide their strategic plan to work together with the Legislature on both a short-term solution and a long-term solution to efficiently review and certify dialysis centers in Hawaii. It is important to note that the Administration is working closely with the Legislature to address the review process in an efficient manner. Moreover, the plan and recommendations provided today to the Legislature will result in bills for introduction for the 2018 Legislature.

Invited to participate in the Briefing are:

U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
State Department of Health
State Department of Human Services
Liberty Dialysis/Fresenius Medical Care
U.S. Renal Care
National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii
Nephrologists
Dialysis Patients
The HandiVan
The Cab

If you or someone you know needs help, do not hesitate to reach out:

- Crisis Line of Hawaii ☐ i- 832-3100 (O☐ ahu) or 1-800-753-6879 (Neighbor Islands)
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline – 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Crisis Text Line – text “ALOHA” to 741-741

No public testimony will be accepted.

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Rep. John M. Mizuno
Chair

Rep. Scott K. Saiki
Speaker of the House

