

Trisha M. Kajimura



EDUCATION

Master of Public Health, University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Master of Arts in English, University of Hawai'i at Manoa
Bachelor of Arts in English, University of California at Los Angeles

WORK EXPERIENCE

Parents and Children Together

Vice President of Strategy and External Affairs, February 2023 to present

- Responsible for conceptualization, development and implementation of a portfolio of specific emergent initiatives designed to advance the mission and viability of the organization.
- Represents the agency and specific projects to external audiences including government, community, media and general public.

Hawai'i Health and Harm Reduction Center

Deputy Director - Community, July 2021 to January 2023

- As a member of the agency executive team, collaborates to provide leadership for agency resources, programs and employees, focusing on community-based programs, strategic partnerships and advocacy priorities.
- Responsible for oversight of community-based program areas: transgender services, tobacco cessation (LGB&T and substance use specialty), homeless outreach (includes youth LGB&T specialty), HIV prevention outreach, law-enforcement diversion, HHHRC Training Institute, Housing First case management

Sutter Health Kahi Mohala

Director of Business Development and Public Relations, March 2020 to June 2021

- Directed the activities and managed the resources associated with business planning and development, public relations and public policy for the organization.
- Hospital lead in internal and external communications
- Partnered with the Chief Executive Officer on development and implementation of strategic plan.

Mental Health America of Hawai'i

Executive Director, January 2016 – March 2020

- Determined strategic direction and implementation plan to address the mental health advocacy needs of the community, building collaborative relationships and support.
- Secured funding to cover revenue needs through grant writing and fund development strategies to ensure the growth and sustainability of the organization.

- Ensured that programs were provided with appropriate support systems in the areas of staffing, planning, facilities, funding, program management, and evaluation;
- Promoted the agency as the primary resource for media, legislators, and other community leaders.
- Responsible for all aspects of operations, human resources and governance.

Catholic Charities Hawai'i

Social Policy Director, December 2012 – January 2016

- Agency lead in government relations and advocacy, focused on educating all government entities relevant to the agency's mission on the populations served, community needs and agency services and activities.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2021 to 2022 - Board of Directors, Hawai'i Public Health Association

2022 President

2021 President-Elect

Lifetime Member

2020 to 2022 - Board of Directors, Hawai'i Alliance of Non-Profit Organizations

2022 Vice Chair

2021 Chair, Advocacy Committee

2018 to 2021 - Advisory Board, Western Region Public Health Training Center

2018 to 2021 - Advisory Committee, Public Health Training Hui

2017 to 2020 - Board of Directors, PHOCUSED

2016 to 2021 - Advisory Board, Hawai'i Children's Trust Fund, Hawai'i Community Foundation

2016 to 2022 - Community Advisory Panel, Office of Public Health Studies, University of Hawai'i at Manoa