

**OAHU REGION
HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION**

Hearing: Senate Committee on Health
10/26/07, 9 a.m., Conf Room 016
Subject: HHSC Oahu Region Board –
Clementina D. Ceria-Ulep, Ph.D.
1 copy to Committee Clerk, Room 010

The Honorable Senator David Y. Ige
Chair
Senate Committee on Health
415 South Beretania Street, Room 215
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Senator David Ige:

Subsequent to being notified by the Boards and Commissions office of my appointment to serve as a member of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation Oahu Region Board of Directors, I am writing to express my interest in accepting this volunteer position. I am presently serving as an associate professor for the University of Hawaii School of Nursing. I am most interested in this role because of my on-going commitment to improve the healthcare services of our state.

I know as a board member, I would be highly challenged and could contribute productively in the area of our on-going nursing and nursing management shortage. At the same time, I am confident of my ability to handle successfully the responsibilities of a board member, and I know this experience will be invaluable to me.

Thank you and the Senate Committee on Health members for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Clementina D. Ceria-Ulep
Clementina D. Ceria-Ulep, Ph.D, MS, RN

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Honolulu, Hawaii 96819
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PRESENT POSITION

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR

School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene, University of
Hawaii at Manoa; Honolulu, Hawaii

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- 1992 Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Administration
 Medical College of Virginia-Virginia Commonwealth
 Richmond, Virginia
- 1988 Master of Science in Nursing Administration
 University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1982 Bachelor of Science in Nursing
 University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii

SPECIAL TRAINING AND SKILLS

- 10-12/1984 Basic Arrhythmia Course
- 09-12/1986 Preceptorship with a Nursing Supervisor
 Queen's Medical Center
 Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1-5/1987 Preceptorship with a Head Nurse in Labor and
 Honolulu, Hawaii
- Skilled in: Peritoneal Dialysis
 Continuous Ambulatory Peritoneal
 Fistulas and shunts (blood drawing)
- 10/95 Healing Touch Healer--Level I

07/27/07

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Summer 1994** **Assisted in developing a Gerontology Nurse Practitioner Course with focus on the care of Asian Pacific elderly population**
- 6/94 to 10/94** **Acting Director of Nursing
Oahu Care Facility (OCF Facility)
Honolulu, Hawaii**
- 8/1/93 to present** **Assistant Professor
University of Hawaii, School of Nursing
Honolulu, Hawaii**
- 6/92 to present** **Call-In Nursing Supervisor
St. Francis Medical Center
Honolulu, Hawaii**
- 7/13/92 to 8/4/93** **Assistant Director of Nursing
St. Francis Medical Center-West
Ewa Beach, Hawaii**
- 9/91-5/92** **Teaching Assistant
Medical College of Virginia School of Nursing
Co-taught Nursing Dynamics & Managerial Theories Courses
Richmond, Virginia**
- Summer 1990-1991** **Temporary Nursing Supervisor
St. Francis Medical Center
Honolulu, Hawaii**
- 9/90-5/91** **Teaching Assistant
Medical College of Virginia School of Nursing
Co-taught Physical Assessment and Managerial Theories Courses
Richmond, Virginia**
- 9/1989-5/92** **Registered Nurse--Part-time (Staff Nurse)
Unit: Neurological-Rehabilitation (N1B1)
Medical College of Virginia Hospital
Richmond, Virginia**

8/1988- 8/1989	Head Nurse--Full-time St. Francis Medical Center Honolulu, Hawaii
8/1986- 8/1988	Registered Nurse--Part-time (Staff Nurse, Charge Nurse) St. Francis Hospital Honolulu, Hawaii
6/1982- 8/1986	Registered Nurse--Full-time (Staff Nurse) St. Francis Hospital Honolulu, Hawaii
1/1982- 5/1982	Nurses' Aide ER, St. Francis Hospital Honolulu, Hawaii
1979 Summer	Student Helper Maluhia Hospital Honolulu, Hawaii

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION

1982	Hawaii State Board of Nursing--License No. 25851
1985	American Nurses' Association, Certified Medical-Surgical RN Certification No. 095678
1989	Commonwealth of Virginia State Board of Nursing-- License No. 116550

TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES

COURSE TITLE	CONTENT/FOCUS	THEORY/ CLINICAL	CREDITS
Introduction to Nursing Lab	Adult Health	Clinical	3
Professional Nursing	Adult Health	Theory	2
Professional Nursing II Lab	Adult Health	Clinical	3
Adult Health I	Adult Health	Theory/Clinical	5
Adult Health I Lab	Adult Health	Clinical	3
Cooperative Educ in Nursing	Varied	Clinical	2/1

Prof Nursing Management	Management	Theory	3
Professional Nursing VI	Adult Health	Theory/Clinical	5
Current Issues in Prof. Nursing	Trends & Issues (Grad level)	Theory	3
Nursing Administration I	Administration (Grad level)	Theory/Clinical	5
Advanced Nursing Admin	Administration (Grad level)	Theory/Clinical	5
<u>Clinical Systems Mgt. (CSM):</u>			
Clinical Systems Mgt. (CSM) I	(Grad level)	Theory	3
CSM Practicum	(Grad level)	Clinical	3
CSM II	(Grad level)	Theory	3
Capstone	(Grad level)	Clinical	3
<u>Other Graduate level courses:</u>			
N777	Grad research practicum	Clinical	3
N699	Directed Study	Clinical	3-4

PhD Student Advisement & Dissertation Committee Membership

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Status</u>
2005 - present	Aaron Mitschke	Advisor	Current
	Michelle Crumbly	Advisor	Withdrawn

AFFILIATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

1991	Member of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society
1989- 1992	Virginia Nurses' Association: Member
1982- present	Hawaii Nurses' Association: Member (1982-present); Treasurer, District of Honolulu (1987)
1988- present	Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society--Hawaii Chapter (Academic)
1988- present	Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society--Gamma Psi Chapter-at-Large (Professional) Member of Recognition Committee (1995-1996); Co-chair of Recognition Committee (1996-1997); Corresponding Secretary (1997-1998) Counselor, University of Hawaii at Manoa (2004-2006)
1978-	Selected Studies (Honors) Program, University of Hawaii: Member

1980

1978 U.S.-Philippine Goodwill Foundation, Honorary Chairman

COMMUNITY SERVICE2007-
Present Executive Board Member, Catholic Charities Hawaii2005 -
present Advisory Council Member, Asian American Network for Cancer
Awareness, Research & Training (AANCART)2004 -
present Member, Bayanihan/Minority Organ Tissue Transplantation Education Program
(MOTTEP) Advisory Council2002-
2003 Member, H.H. Chun & Connie Chun Foundation Licensure Review Task
Group2001-
present Instructor, NCLEX-Registered Nurse (RN) Review Class for foreign RN
graduates. A project with Nursing Advocates and Mentors, Inc. (NAMI)
and the Department of Labor.Spring 2001 Instructor, NCLEX-RN Review Class. Sponsored by the Filipino Nurses'
Organization of Hawaii (FNOH)2001-
present Mentor, Junior Pacific Century Fellow
Honolulu, Hawaii2000 -
present Advisor, Philippines Nurses of America Association--Hawaii Chapter
Honolulu, Hawaii1998 -
present Co-Coordinator, Nurse Volunteers
Tzu-Chi Free Clinic
Honolulu, Hawaii1996-
present Faith Action for Community Equity (F.A.C.E.)
Honolulu, Hawaii
Instructor, Certified Nurse Assistant Program (1999, 2004)
Member (1996 - present)
President (07/96-02/97)
President (12/97 - 12/98)

- Personnel Committee Chair (12/98 - 12/99)
 Public Housing Committee Chair (01/01 - 01/2002)
 Senior Care and Services Committee Chair (01/00 - 01/01)
 2nd Vice-President (2002)
- 1995- Member, Diocesan Pastoral Council
 1997 (Advisory Board to Bishop of Honolulu)
 Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1986- Chairman, Wallace Rider Farrington High School
 1998 Tenth, Fifteenth, & Twentieth Year Reunion Committee of Class of 1978
 Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1977- Volunteer, Beverly Manor Convalescent Center
 1988 Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1977- Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church
 present Honolulu Hawaii
- AdHoc Planning Committee Chair (1988-1989)
 Administration Committee (member, 1994-2000; secretary, 1993-1994)
 Church Cleaning Coordinator (1992-1998)
 Decorating Committee Member (1999-2002)
 Education Committee Chair (1993-2000)
 Eucharistic Minister (1992-present)
 Filipino Catholic Club (Education Committee Chair, 2003-present;
 Outreach Committee chair, 2001- 2002; president, 2003-2006)
 Hospitality Minister (1987)
 Junior Filipino Catholic Club (president, 1977-1979, 1986; advisor, 1982-
 1986)
 Junior Filipino Catholic Club-Young Adult President (1986-1988)
 Lector (1987; 1992-present)
 Liturgy Committee Secretary (1992-1994)
 Mini-Bazaar Committee Chair (Fall, 2001)
 Outreach Ministry Member (1992-2000)
 Pastoral Council (president, 1994-2000; vice-president, 1993-1994; 2004-
 2006)
 RENEW Program (Small Community Leader, & Facilitator, 2004-2005)
 Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Preparation Team (team member,
 2003-2004)
 Sacred Hearts Society Member (2004-)

Teacher (1977-1979; 1982; 2001-2004)
 Young Adults Advisor (1994-1999)
 130th Year Anniversary Celebration Committee Chair (2000)
 130 Years Souvenir Booklet Committee (2000-2001)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: National

02/04 Member, Objective Review Committee
 Advanced Education Nursing Program
 Division of Independent Review
 Division of Nursing, Health Resources Service Administration (HRSA)
 Rockville, Maryland; February 17-20, 2004

BOARD MEMBERSHIP: State, Governor Appointee

06/04 - Member, Hawaii Center for Nursing Advisory Board
 06/06

**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: Medical College of Virginia-Virginia Commonwealth
 University; Richmond, Virginia**

1990 Member of Dean's Search Committee
 Department of Nursing

1989- Student Representative, Affirmative Action Committee
 1990 Medical College of Virginia-Virginia Commonwealth University

**COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: University of Hawaii at Manoa, School of Nursing and Dental
 Hygiene; Honolulu, Hawaii**

Spring, 2004 Member, Reorganization Taskforce Committee
 Department of Nursing

2004 - Member, Graduate Affairs Committee
 2005 Department of Nursing
 & Fall 2002

2003 - Member, Graduate Curriculum Committee
 2004 Department of Nursing

2003- Member, Graduate Forum Committee
 2004 Department of Nursing

2000 - 2002	Member, Undergraduate Affairs Committee Department of Nursing
1997- 1998	Member, Honors and Awards Committee Department of Nursing
Spring 1996	Member, Curriculum Committee Department of Nursing
1996- 1998	Member, Graduate Admissions, Progression and Graduation Committee Department of Nursing
1994- 1998	Member, Evaluation Committee Department of Nursing
1994- 1995	Member, Undergraduate Admissions, Progression and Graduation Committee Department of Nursing

**OFFICES HELD—UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, SCHOOL OF NURSING & DENTAL
HYGIENE; HONOLULU, HAWAII**

2006	Chair Elect, Faculty Senate Department of Nursing
2005- present	Chair, Graduate Student Affairs Department of Nursing
2000- 2001	Facilitator, Research Taskforce Department of Nursing
1996- 1997	Chair, Benchmark Task Force Department of Nursing
1996- 1997	Secretary, Faculty Senate Department of Nursing
1995- 1996	Co-Chair, Admissions, Progression and Graduation Committee

Department of Nursing

SERVICE--UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, SCHOOL OF NURSING & DENTAL HYGIENE
HONOLULU, HAWAII

2002-2005 Coordinator, Clinical Systems Management Graduate Program

FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS

FOCUS	YEAR	FUNDING AGENCY/ PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Administration	1991-1992	National Institute for Nursing Research-- National Institute of Health. National Research Service Award--Predoctoral Fellowship Research proposal: Testing Brooke's causal model of absenteeism on nurses. (Also fulfilled the doctoral dissertation requirements).	\$20,000
	1990	A.D. Williams Summer Fellowship Medical College of Virginia Hospitals Purpose of study: to investigate the effects of nursing absenteeism on the quality of patient care.	\$ 5,000
Aging	01/04	Sigma Theta Tau International Gamma Psi Chapter Investigator for "Assessing physical function in the Filipino elderly: Review, editing, and pilot testing questionnaire and instructions."	\$500
	7/03-6/04	University of Hawaii School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene-University of Washington, Center for Health Disparities Research, National Institute of Nursing Research-National Institute of Health. Investigator for "Assessing health beliefs, physical activity and physical functioning of the Filipino Elder."	\$10,000
	6/03-12/03	University of Hawaii, School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene, Department of Nursing Investigator for "Physical function in the Filipino elderly."	\$2,700

- 06/03-12/03 University of Hawaii, School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene, Department of Nursing, Seed grant. \$4,060
Co-Investigator for "Studies of caregiving among Asian American Elderly." (Contribution: 10%).
- 06/02-6/03 Sigma Theta Tau International Gamma Psi Chapter \$ 500
Co-Investigator for "Filipino grandparents' caregiving role, involvement, reactions, and health status: Preliminary study. (Contribution: 30%).
- 03/02-06/02 University of Hawaii, School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene, Department of Nursing \$ 3,500
Co-Investigator for "Immigrant Filipino grandparents caregiving and health status study." Faculty Research Grant. (Contribution: 30%).
- 06/01 - National Institute on Aging \$112,421 (25-50% salary support)
05/04 Co-Investigator & Project Coordinator for "Pacific Genetic Epidemiology of Aging." (PacGen)
Principal Investigator: J. David Curb, Honolulu Heart Program.
- 05/98 Hawaii Community Foundation \$13,000
Principal Investigator on "The relationships between social networks and community activities to electrocardiogram (ECG) changes, coronary heart disease (CHD) and total mortality."

Minority/Women's Health

- 01/03- National Institute of Health-National Cancer Institute \$25,082/year
07/06 Principal Investigator, on "Fat reduction, hormone replacement therapy (HRT) use, and benign breast disease risk" ancillary study of the Women's Health Initiative-Hawaii.
- 09/97 National Institute of Occupational Safety & Health (NIOSH) \$49,636
Co-Principal Investigator, on "Work organization, psychological distress, and health among older working minority women."

Other Research (unfunded) studies Administration

08/91 -

05/1992 **Dissertation: Testing Brooke's Causal Model of Absenteeism on Nurses.**

1987-1988 **Thesis on Decentralization and Job Satisfaction**

Co-investigator with Dr. Joyce Griffin (Associate Professor, University of Hawaii, School of Nursing). Purpose of study: to investigate whether Progressive Muscular Relaxation Technique will decrease the occurrence of infection in cancer patients.

SUBMITTED GRANT PROPOSALS

Aging

2006 **University of Hawaii Interdisciplinary Geriatric Health Care Center seed grant.**
Co-Investigator, on "Enhancing the assessment of physical activity among elderly men and women in Hawai'i."
Co-Investigator, on "The influence of ethnicity and resources on health outcomes in Asian and European-American grandparents."
Both submitted to Hartford Foundation, 6/06.

Con-Investigator, on "Burden of Filipino grandparents with chronic illness"
Submitted to National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institute of Health 6/06.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2004 **Outstanding Dedication & Service**
Faith Action for Community Equity (FACE); December 4, 2004
Honolulu, Hawaii

Pride Award; November 13, 2004
Philippine Nurses Association-Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii

2002 **Farrington High School Distinguished Alumni Award; May 24, 2002**
Honolulu, Hawaii

2002 **Keynote Speaker at the Red Mass. Topic: Long-Term Care in Hawaii**
January 17, 2002; Our Lady of Peace Cathedral

- Presided by the Most Rev. Francis X. DiLorenzo, Bishop of
Honolulu
Honolulu, Hawaii
- 2001 Oahu Filipino Community Council
Top Educator Award
- 1999 Pacific Century Fellows Program Fellow
Class 2000
Honolulu, Hawaii
- Sigma Theta Tau International--Gamma Psi Chapter-at-Large
Nursing Leadership Award
Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1995 University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
Faculty Leadership Program Summer Institute Fellow
- 1991- Oahu Council Filipino Catholic Club (OCFCC)
1990 Honolulu, Hawaii, Scholarship
- 1990 Who's Who in American Nursing
- 1987 Edu-Center for Nurses, Honolulu, Hawaii, Scholarship
- 1986 Who's Who of World's Women
- 1985 Who's Who of American Women
- 1980- Duty-Free Shoppers, Ltd., Honolulu, Hawaii
1982 Scholarship
- 1979- Hans and Clara Zimmerman, Honolulu, Hawaii
1980 Scholarship
- 1978- Wallace Rider Farrington Scholarship, Honolulu,
1982 Hawaii (sponsored by Honolulu Star-Bulletin)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- 2006 +*Ceria-Ulep, C. D., Asselstine R.T., Castillo, M. A., & Pagano, I. S. Assessing health beliefs, physical activity and function in the Filipino elderly. Submitted to Western Journal of Nursing Research, 5/22/06. (Contribution: 60%)
- +*Ceria-Ulep C. D., Grove, J., Chen, R., Masaki, K. H., Rodriguez, B. L., Donlon, T. A., Guralnik, J., et al. Assessing three measurements of balance among healthy subjects: The PacGen Study. Implications for research. To be submitted to Aging—Clinical & Experimental Research. (Contribution: 60%)
- +*Donlon, T. A., Grove, J., Willcox, B. J., Yano, K., Chen, R., Rodriguez, B. L., Masaki, K. H., Ceria-Ulep, C. D., & Curb, J. D. Mitochondrial genotypes associated with healthy aging.

PUBLICATION

- 2006 +*Curb, J. D., Ceria-Ulep, C. D., Rodriguez, B. L., Grove, J., Guralnik, J., Willcox, B. J., Donlon, T. A., et al. (2006). Performance-based measures of physical function for high-function individuals. *Journal of American Geriatrics Society*, 54, 737-742. (Contribution: 35%)
- 2005 +*Willgerodt, M. A., Kataoka-Yahiro, M. R., Kim, E., & Ceria, C. D. (2005). Issues of instrument translation in research with Asian immigrant populations. *Journal of Professional Nursing*, 21, 231-239. (Contribution: 10%)
- +Grove, J. S., Ceria, C. D., & Curb, J. D. (2005). Combining variables by the use of principal components can lead to an index with low reliability—two examples. *2004 Proceedings of the American Statistical Association, Epidemiology Section [CD-ROM]*, Alexandria, VA: American Statistical Association.
- 2004 +*Kataoka-Yahiro, M. R., Ceria, C. D., & Yoder, M. (2004). Grandparent caregiving role in Filipino American families. *Journal of Cultural Diversity*, 11, 110-117. (Contribution: 20%)

- *Kataoka-Yahiro, M. R., Ceria, C. D., & Caulfield, R. A. (2004). Grandparent role expectations in ethnically diverse families. *Journal of Pediatric Nursing, 19*, 315-328. (Contribution: 20%)
- 2001 *+Ceria, C.D., Masaki, K.H., Rodriguez, B.L., Chen, R. Yano, K., & Curb, J.D. (2001). The relationship between psychosocial factors with total mortality among elderly Japanese American men: The Honolulu Heart Program. *Journal of American Geriatrics Society, 49*, 725-731. (Contribution: 60%)
- 1999 Ceria, C. D., & Shimamoto, Y. (1999). Health problems among Filipinos in Hawaii. In L. Zhan, *Asian voices: Asian and Asian American health educators speak out* (pp 68-81). Boston: NLN Press. (Contribution: 50%)
- 1997 +Bala, J., Kent, J., Ceria, C. D., & Vilorio, J (1997). A 24-hour care map for back surgery. *Nursing Case Management, 2*, 162-167. (Contribution: 20%)
- 1992 *+Ceria, C. D (1992). Effects of nursing absenteeism on the quality of patient care. *Journal of Nursing Administration, 22*, 18, 38.

*Refereed

+Databased

PRESENTATIONS

- 06/2006 The Queen's Medical Center and Filipino Nurses Organization of Hawaii Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. + 'Assessing health beliefs, and function of Filipino elders,' in *A rainbow of health care strategies: Tools for delivering excellent health care*. (Poster) (Local)
- 03/2006 Nineteenth Annual Pacific Nursing Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. + 'Assessing health beliefs, physical activity and function of Filipino elders,' in *Health risks and reducing health disparities in minority or low income populations*. (Poster) (National)
- 07/2005 16th International Nursing Research Congress; Kona, Hawaii. + 'Assessing health beliefs, physical activity and function of Filipino elders,' in *Health risks and reducing health disparities in minority or low income populations*. (Panelist) (International)

- 11/2004 57th Annual Gerontological Society of America Scientific Meeting. Washington, D.C. Presentation on the Pacific Genetic Epidemiology of Aging Study. "*Three measures of balance.*" (Panelist) [National]
- 07/2004 Philippine Nurses Association 25th Year Convention; Honolulu, Hawaii. "Trends in nursing education and practice." (Podium, invited) (National)
- 03/2004 Seventeenth Annual Pacific Nursing Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. "Issues in tool development and translation for community use." (Panelist) (National)
- 03/2003 Sixteenth Annual Pacific Nursing Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. + "Measures of strength as indicators of aging: Preliminary results from the Pacific Genetic Epidemiology Study on Aging." (Podium) (National)
- 08/2001 Panelist for "Culturally Appropriate Clinical Scholarship Conference." Honolulu, Hawaii (Local)
- 03/1999 Pacific Annual Nursing Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. + "The relationship of psychosocial factors with total mortality among elderly Japanese American men: The Honolulu Heart Program." (Podium) (National)
- 02/1998 Panelist on "Needs of a Culturally Diverse Groups." University of Hawaii-Manoa, School of Nursing; Honolulu, Hawaii. (Local)
- 04/1994 Pacific Annual Nursing Research Conference; Honolulu, Hawaii. + "Testing Brooke's Causal Model of Absenteeism on Nurses." (Podium).
- 02/1992 Southern Nursing Research Conference; Memphis, Tennessee. + "A preliminary analysis of an ethnographic study of nursing absenteeism and its effects on the quality of patient care." (Poster) (Regional)
- 10/1991 Virginia Nurses' Association Convention; Charlottesville, Virginia. + "A preliminary analysis of an ethnographic study of nursing absenteeism and its effects on the quality of patient care." (Poster) (Local)
- 09/1991 Richmond, Virginia

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Interdisciplinary panel member at the Southeast Regional Conference on Social Work Research. (Local)

02/1991 Southern Nursing Research Conference; Richmond, Virginia. (Local)

10/1990 Virginia Nurses' Association Annual Convention, Charlottesville, Virginia. +“Effects of nursing absenteeism on the quality of patient care.” (Poster) (Local)

1988 1988 Hawaii Nurses' Association Convention; Honolulu, Hawaii. +“Decentralization and job satisfaction” (Poster) (Local)

1988 21st Annual Communicating Nursing Research Conference, sponsored by Western Institute of Nursing, Salt Lake City, Utah. +“Decentralization and job satisfaction.” (Poster) (Regional)

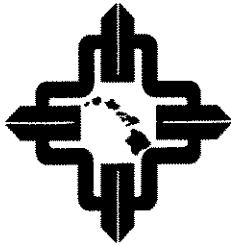
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AVOCATIONS

Speak and understands Ilokano
Writing poems, reading, cooking, gardening,
tennis

REFERENCES

Furnished upon request



**OAHU REGION
HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION**

Senator David Ige
Chair of the Senate Committee on Health
Senator Carol Fukunaga
Vice Chair of the Senate committee on Health

**TESTIMONY SUPPORTING
THE CONFIRMATION OF CLEMENTINA D. CERIA-ULEP, Ph.D., MS, RN,
AS MEMBER OF THE HHSC OAHU REGION SYSTEMS BOARD**

Individual Testimony of
VINCENT H.S. LEE
Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation
Oahu Region

I am Vince Lee, HHSC Oahu region chief executive officer. I appreciate the opportunity to testify in strong support of the confirmation of Dr. Clementina Ceria-Ulep.

Dr. Ceria-Ulep has an extensive background in nursing and nursing administration. She served for many years as a registered nurse, director of nursing and nursing supervisor at a variety of healthcare facilities including St. Francis Medical Center, Oahu Care Facility and St. Francis West. She is currently an associate professor at the University of Hawaii School of Nursing & Dental Hygiene.

We envision that Dr. Clementina Ceria-Ulep will bring her knowledge and expertise to bear in this important time when healthcare will need to effectively respond to the growing needs of our island communities.

Thank you for this opportunity to recommend. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 733-7911.

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MĀNOA

School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene
Office of the Dean

October 24, 2007

David Y. Ige, Chair
Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair
Committee on Health
2007 Hawai'i State Senate
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 215
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Chair Ige, Vice Chair Fukunaga and Members of the Senate Committee on Health:

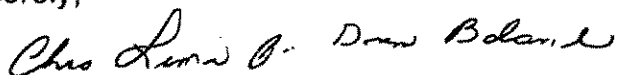
As a Dean, nurse and educator of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene, I am pleased to submit this letter of support for Dr. Clementina Ceria-Ulep's appointment to serve on the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, Oahu Region Board of Directors.

Dr. Ceria-Ulep is an Associate Professor in Nursing at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. In her faculty role, she is active in teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate level and contributes significantly through scholarship and service. Among Dr. Ceria-Ulep's areas of expertise are adults, aging, management and administration. In the research arena, she is developing a body of applied research with minority populations focusing on predictions of healthy aging through the Honolulu Heart study and through her independent work on elderly Filipino caretaking. She is thoughtful and clearly articulates her perspective on issues impacting the health of Hawai'i's people.

Dr. Ceria-Ulep is a well-respected member of the community which is affirmed by the numerous awards she has received. In 2004, she was recognized with an award for her outstanding community dedication and service by the Faith Action for Community Equity and in 2002, she received the Farrington High School Distinguished Alumni Award. She has experience on advisory boards that support state agencies having served as one of the first members on the Hawai'i State Center for Nursing Advisory Board. Dr. Ceria-Ulep's nursing expertise and skill in collaboration will make her a valuable asset to the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation.

Thank you for this opportunity to write in support of her appointment.

Sincerely,



Mary G. Boland, DrPH, RN, FAAN
Dean and Professor