



HAWAI'I PSYCHIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
Minutes of Monthly Membership Meeting
November 8, 2012

Mission: Helping Hawaii's Psychiatrists Provide the Highest Quality Care

Location: Home of HPMA President Iqbal "Ike" Ahmed, MD in Honolulu

Attendees on Oahu: Drs Ahmed, Lind, Liu, Chong, Aulwes, Chacko, Ghiasuddin, Suzuki, Murayama-Sung, Akaka, Smith

Attendees on Maui, via conference call on Skype and phone: none.

Call to order: 6:45pm

Minutes of previous meeting: reviewed and approved.

BUDGET & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Ethics Committee Report:**
 - Dr Prier. Not present but no recent referrals or concerns.
- **Legislative Committee Report:**
 - Dr Akaka Senate gained 1 democratic Senate seat nationally. Locally, Mazie Hirono won senate seat. She has been neutral in the past with regards to scope of practice. Discussed upcoming Aloha welcome reception hosted by AMA section council on psychiatry and HPMA through the assistance of the convention center
 - Crash course prescribing is likely to come up this year at the State level.
 - Dr Akaka to ask Bobby Toyofuku and Rep Yamane to come to next meeting
 - Next visit, will ask about how can a bill be put forward saying that scope of practice issues should be referred to the Hawaii Health Authority.
- **Membership Committee Report:** membership is currently 167
 - Dr Gise. Not present today but the following is from last meeting & still active:
 - Dr Gise to look into what the qualifications are for different levels of Fellowships in the APA
 - Suggested hosting a meeting once a year on a neighbor island
 - Dr Ghiasuddin
 - Trying to do a lunch for residents on a Wednesday.
 - Looking for HPMA members to attend. Dr Ahmed will attend.
 - Looking to get more resident involvement
 - Holiday Party in January –
 - Dr Sakuda to look into budget
 - Drs Suzuki, Aulwes, and Sung to look into planning party
 - Getting more membership involvement on neighbor islands:
 - Dr Ahmed suggesting having 1 representative per island. Dr Ahmed looking for recommendations for the representative for

each island. Responsibilities will be to attend via skype/phone, possibly host meeting that are held on the island, they would also be encouraged to get other members on the island involved.

- **Communications:**
 - Dr Suzuki
 - Dr Suzuki will send out Holiday E cards with the assistance of Dr Aulwes. Will contact Rebecca Chan.
 - Freeconferencing.com may be best option.
 - Brain Waves Blog/newsletter:
 - Looking for recommendations on articles/authors
 - Twitter:
 - Dr Ahmed recently set up an account. Go to twitter and search HlpsychMDs or HPMA.
 - Will be tweeting high yield/provocative psychiatric topics/articles.
 - Dr Suzuki/Dr Aulwes to consider setting up facebook account
- **Treasurer's Report:** Dr Sakuda.
 - Not present today but nothing new to report.
 - As above, awaiting to hear if can budget for holiday party from Dr Sakuda.
- **Area 7 Trustee Report:** nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Narrowing down what will be the focus for HPMA
- Consideration for annual CME. Will discuss next meeting when Dr Hanning is present.

New Business:

- May 18-22 APA conference. Dr Ahmed reports that it will be great meeting. 3 noble laureates. Bill Clinton may be speaking
- Liaison with NAMI. Dr Ahmed to contact Dr Mee-Lee to see if he can be a liaison since he is on the board.
- Dr Gise suggested an APA award in Dr Vit Patel's name. Members today suggested other ways to honor Dr Patel.
- Dr Akaka discussed voting for DSM V at upcoming meeting.
- If ECPs want a say in upcoming changes that are coming up with ECP dues, Dr Akaka suggested to email Dr Molly McVoy.

Topic of the Month:

November: Update on new CPT codes from APA. Dr Doug Smith

December: Upcoming Legislative session and lobbying or Psychopharmacology update.

Considerations: LGBT

Announcements: none.

Next meeting: December 13, 2012 Thursday at 6pm

Submitted by,
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