



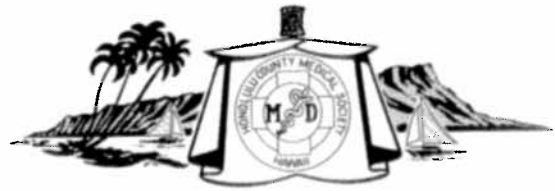
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OUR COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETIES

Hawaii is blessed with an abundance of beauty and doubly blessed by having a superior cadre of physicians: clinicians, researchers, teachers and writers. Each of our islands has a County Medical Society, which together comprise the Hawaii Medical Association.

I am proposing that each County Society submit a monthly report about its activities, meetings and conferences for publication in the Journal. Some counties have an executive secretary, some have a part-time secretary, some use the services of a physician's secretary or head nurse to keep minutes and correspondence.

I have contacted each of the County Society Presidents, and have requested that they appoint a reporter for their County Society activities for the Hawaii Medical Journal. We initiate the County Medical Society reports with the submission by Julie Kinhult, Executive Director of the Honolulu County Medical Society.



Honolulu County Medical Society Student Workshop

On March 14, 2005 we held our Student Workshop on Gloving and Gowning, and it was quite successful. Like last year, the first and second year students were amazing to work with and are so appreciative of our willingness to provide them with educational workshops to enhance their journey through medical school.

We also provided them with a nice meal, cosponsored by the Physicians Exchange of Honolulu. The evening began by introducing the membership we offer, and stating the importance of joining the County Society in this early stage of their careers. I also introduced the Annual Meeting schedule to them and encouraged them to attend. Dr. David Waters, HCMS member, ophthalmologist from Kaiser Permanente; and Fred Yost, HCMS member, general surgeon at Queen's Medical Center, were our physician volunteers. They were fabulous as they demonstrated different techniques from scrubbing before surgery and glove application (whether someone helps you or you do it yourself) to operating room protocol (how to walk around and discard towels or simply what to do if you have to scratch your nose). The students were enthused, attentive, and so incredibly thankful for our efforts.

To Dr. Maxwell Cooper, Dr. John Hartman, Dr. Tod Aeby, and Dr. Hugo Higa, who donated supplies for this workshop, as well as other avenues of support, thank you very much. And of course, a special thanks to Dr. Franklin Young and the Board of Physicians Exchange of Honolulu for cosponsoring this event.

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