

Perinatal Advocacy Network (PAN)

Meeting Minutes



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COALITION OF HAWAII

March 29, 2016 | 1:30-3:30pm

<p>Present</p>	<p>The meeting was held at Video Conferencing Centers statewide.</p> <p>Lin Joseph (March of Dimes), Cynthia Goto (ACOG), Candice Calhoun (DOH), Don Hayes (DOH), Lin Joseph (MOD), Rachel Wilkinson (AlohaCare), Linda Chock (DOH WICO), Laurie Field (PPVNH), Lisa Kimura (HMHMB), Katelyn McIntosh (HMHMB), Sheryl Keliipio (DOH), Valerie Saiki (DOH), JoAnn Farnsworth (HMIHC), Janet Clanton (DOH), Lynnette Higa (???), Ashley Gondiza (PPVNH), Audrey Inaba (DOH), Grace Miyata (FHS), Honorah Domizio (Bay Clinic)</p>
<p>2016 Legislative Updates</p>	<p>Presenter: Lisa Kimura Executive Director Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Hawaii</p> <p>Lisa presented updates on the 2016 Legislative updates. The list of the bills covered are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child and Maternal Death Reviews • Erin’s Law (Sexual Abuse Prevention) • Pharmacists Prescriptive Authority for Contraceptive Supplies • Insurance Coverage for HIV & AIDS Screening • Contraceptive Services • Insurance Coverage for Prescriptive Contraceptives- • Breastfeeding Jury Duty Exemption • HPV Vaccine • Midwife Licensure • Equal Pay • Paid Family Leave <p>To see Lisa’s entire presentation, please reference the linked PowerPoint.</p> <p>If you would like any further information about the 2016 Legislative bills, contact lisak@hmhb-hawaii.org.</p>
<p>Zika Virus</p>	<p>Presenter: Raul Rudoy, MD Professor of Pediatrics and Pediatric Infectious Diseases University of Hawaii</p> <p>Dr. Rudoy presented on his expertise on the Zika virus. He made it very clear that at this point, there are a lot more questions than there are answers, but research is underway. He described how there are four pathways that the virus can be transmitted: mosquito bite, blood transfusion, sexual contact and mother to child. Once infected, the symptoms are typically mild ranging from low grade fever, rashes,</p>

	<p>joint and muscle pain, headache, and conjunctivitis. Within a laboratory setting, Zika, within the first week can be seen in both blood and urine but after 7 days, the evidence of illness will be in the blood.</p> <p>Specifically relating to pregnancy, Zika has been linked with causing microcephaly to fetuses. The causes of microcephaly are: decreased oxygen to the fetal brain severe malnutrition, fetal exposure to drugs, alcohol or toxic chemicals, genetic abnormalities and infections to the fetus during pregnancy.</p> <p>Dr. Rudoy asked the audience specific questions regarding Zika and pregnancy:</p> <p>Q: Should you still visit a Zika affected country even if you are not or do not plan on getting pregnant?</p> <p>A: Make sure that there is NO chance that you will get pregnant while in this affected area. At the same time, the virus has been known to stay within a woman’s body for 4-8 weeks after exposure, hinting that it would not be a good idea to get pregnant until a few months have passed that you have left the infected area.</p> <p>Q: How long should an infected woman/man wait before trying to conceive?</p> <p>A: Male: 6-months, Women: 8 weeks</p> <p>Q: I am pregnant and recently visited a country having a Zika epidemic. What should I do?</p> <p>A: Get tested for Zika virus infection immediately</p> <p>Since the Zika virus is carried by the same vector that carries Yellow Fever, Dengue and Chikungunya, Dr. Rudoy went over ways to prevent against mosquito-borne illness. Including, eliminating mosquito breeding sources like stagnant water; using mosquito netting; fumigation; paint containing microencapsulated insecticides and genetic modification of mosquitos.</p> <p>To see Dr. Rudoy’s entire presentation, please reference the linked PowerPoint.</p> <p>If you would like any further information on the Zika virus, please contact Department of Health.</p>
<p>Hawaii Maternal & Infant Health Collaborative Update</p>	<p>Presenter: Lin Joseph March of Dimes Hawaii</p> <p>Lin provided an update on what HMIHC is working on in 2016 as well as an update on what was accomplished in 2015.</p> <p>To view Lin’s entire presentation, please reference the linked PowerPoint.</p>