

HAWAII MEDICAL BOARD
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

AGENDA

Date: February 12, 2026

Time: 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: PVL Exam Room 330
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, Third Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

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1. Establish Quorum, Public Notice, Call to Order, HRS §92-3 Open Meetings and HAR §16-115-11 Oral Testimony

2. Chair’s Announcements

A. Welcome new board member, Dr. Robert Wotring, M.D.

3. Approval of Minutes:

A. January 15, 2026, Open Session Meeting Minutes

B. January 15, 2026, Executive Session Meeting Minutes

The Board may enter into Executive Session to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with HRS section 92-5(a)(4) to review the executive session minutes.

4. Applications for Licensure/Certification:

The Board will enter into Executive Session pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes §§ 92-5(a)(1) and 92-5(a)(4) to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both and to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

A. Applications:

- (i) Osteopathic Physician & Surgeon (Permanent/Endorsement)
 - a. Jaclyn Tolentino, D.O.
- (ii) Osteopathic Physician & Surgeon (Permanent/Non-Endorsement)
 - a. Nessa Seangmany, D.O.
- (iii) Physician (Permanent/ Endorsement):
 - a. Jim Seraj, M.D.
 - b. Timothy R. Taylor, M.D.
- (iv) Physician (Permanent/Non-Endorsement):
 - a. Wayne Tran, M.D.
 - b. Robert Matthew Bernstein, M.D.

B. Ratification List (attached to the agenda)

- (i) February 12, 2026, Ratification List

5. New Business:

A. Continuing Medical Education Waiver/Modification Requests

- (i) Miles Wayne Howard, M.D.

B. 2026 Legislative Session

- (i) Confirmation of 2026 Legislative Liaisons
- (ii) See attached list of measures (revised).

C. Comments on Federation of State Medical Board (FSMB) Draft Reports

- (i) [Report of the FSMB Ethics and Professionalism Committee on Physician Collective Bargaining and Unionization \(Draft\)](#)
- (ii) [Guidance on Recent Trends in Prescribing and Dispensing \(Draft\)](#)

(iii) [Report of the FSMB Workgroup on Oversight of Clinical Decision-Making \(Draft\)](#)

D. February 3, 2026, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' News Release regarding Scam Phone Calls Targeting Medical Professionals

E. FSMB's 2026 Annual Meeting Scholarship Announcement

6. Next Meeting: March 12, 2026

Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Meeting

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7. Adjournment

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- B. 2026 Legislative Session
(ii) See attached list of measures.

a. [SB3105/HB2286 \(2026\) – Relating to the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact](#)

Authorizes the Governor to enter the PA Licensure Compact to create a comprehensive process that complements the existing licensing authority of the state medical board and provides a streamlined process that allows a PA to become licensed in multiple states, thereby enhancing the portability of a PA license and ensuring the safety of patients.

b. [SB2491/HB1857 \(2026\) – Relating to Health Care](#)

Establishes a broad definition of "qualified health care provider" in numerous areas of existing law. Clarifies and standardizes references to specific health care providers. Updates outdated language to reflect correct terminology. Makes numerous clarifying and conforming amendments to support these changes, including but not limited to chapters related to health, education, insurance, professions and vocations, the pain patient's bill of rights, the Uniform Probate Code, minors, the Child Protective Act, and the Penal Code. Repeals the obsolete Hawaii Health Corps.

c. [SB3124/HB2305 \(2026\) – Relating to the Physician Continuing Medical Education](#)

Requires nutrition and metabolic education as part of the physician continuing medical education requirements.

d. [SB2307 \(2026\) – Relating to Health Care](#)

Authorizes the Hawaii Medical Board to issue an active retired clinician license to retired physicians, osteopathic physicians, and surgeons with inactive Hawaii medical licenses to provide volunteer clinical work through community-based health care or public health organizations.

e. [HB2558 \(2026\) – Relating to Telehealth](#)

Expands telehealth services to residents in the State by providers who perform certain medical treatments out-of-state via telehealth.

f. [SB764 \(2026\) – Relating to Physician Shortage](#)

Establishes a 1-year Physician Licensing Subsidy Pilot Program within the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to provide subsidized licensing fees for eligible medical school graduates and out-of-state physicians applying for initial licensure in the State. Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to collaborate with the Department of Health, University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, and other stakeholders to

promote the pilot program; adopt rules; and submit a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 6/30/2026.

g. [SB107/HB215 \(2025\) – Relating to Medical Informed Consent](#)

Requires the Hawai'i Medical Board to establish standards for health care providers to ensure that a patient's consent to treatment is an informed consent. Requires that informed consent for a proposed medical or surgical treatment or a diagnostic or therapeutic procedure shall be obtained before the day of that treatment or procedure. Specifies that if the treatment or procedure is to occur on the same day it is scheduled, the informed consent shall be obtained at the time the decision is made to schedule that treatment or procedure.

h. [SB1107/HB1279 \(2026\) – Relating to Health](#)

Establish a medical education liaison position within the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine to support programs that utilize a team of medical specialists to support primary care providers and other health care professionals through mentorship and guidance. Appropriates funds.

i. [HB1538 \(2026\) – Relating to Hospital Licensing](#)

Requires the Department of Health to adopt rules to allow hospitals to demonstrate compliance with all licensing inspections required by the State through accreditation or certification by any accreditation or certification organization recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

j. [HB1575 \(2026\) – Relating to Movement Disorder Care](#)

Establishes a temporary Parkinson's Patient Air Transport Feasibility Committee to examine recommendations for improving access to movement disorder care for neighbor island residents, including the feasibility of a state-administered air transport assistance fund. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.

k. [HB1591 \(2026\) – Relating to Health Care](#)

Expands the definitions of "preceptor" and "volunteer-based supervised clinical training rotation" to improve accessibility for providers to receive income tax credits for acting as preceptors, including removing "primary care" from the criteria to qualify as a preceptor. Adds physician assistants and social workers to the list of preceptors and eligible students. Expands eligibility for the tax credit to include accredited residency programs that require preceptor support. Adds the Director of Health and representatives of residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2025.

l. HB1748 (2026) – Relating to Medical Education

Requires the University of Hawaii Board of Regents to establish a nutrition and metabolic health curriculum for medical students at the John A. Burns School of Medicine. Requires a report to the Legislature.

m. SB2086 (2026) – Relating to Claims Against Health Care Providers

Part II - Requires health care professionals, and courts and agencies in receipt of the filing, to report to the respective licensing board any legal or administrative complaint, claim, or action for damages filed against the health care professional within thirty days of receipt of the filing. Requires review by the licensing boards. Requires filings against physicians, osteopathic physicians, or podiatrists to be reported to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. Requires self-insured health care providers and professional liability insurers for health care providers to report to the Insurance Commissioner any medical tort claims filed with the court and requires the Insurance Commissioner to forward certain information to the appropriate professional board or the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. Part III – Extends the time frame by which a medical tort action can be brought and establishes additional tolling conditions. Increases the cap on damages recoverable for pain and suffering in medical tort actions.

n. SB2139/HB1752 (2026) – Relating to Emergency Medical Services

Removes the Adjutant General as a nonvoting ex-officio member of the Hawaii Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee. Adds the Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency as a nonvoting ex-officio member of the EMSAC

o. SB2165 (2026) – Relating to Medical Debt

Prohibits a health care provider or medical creditor from filing a civil lawsuit to collect medical debt from a patient whose household income is less than or equal to five hundred percent of the Federal Poverty Level. Prohibits a health care provider or medical creditor from engaging in certain debt collection practices. Prohibits a health care provider or medical creditor from selling medical debt. Prohibits a health care provider whose income exceeds a certain threshold from denying non-emergency medically necessary care to patients.

p. SB2167 (2026) – Relating to the Hawaii Patients' Bill of Rights and Responsibilities Act

Revises the Hawaii Patients' Bill of Rights and Responsibilities Act by: (1) Establishing new provisions on telehealth parity, prior authorization

timelines, and automated decision systems; (2) Enhancing medical data protection and privacy standards; (3) Expanding the insurance commissioner's enforcement authority; and (4) Improving network adequacy, internal and external appeals procedures, and reporting requirements.

q. [HB2199 \(2026\) – Relating to Health](#)

Protects the right of bodily autonomy in health care decisions.

r. [SB2261 \(2026\) – Relating to Health](#)

Requires Huli Au Ola to conduct a study on physician and dentist recruitment and retention to serve the island of Molokai. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2026.

s. [SB2281 \(2026\) – Relating to the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Health Care](#)

Requires health care providers using artificial intelligence (AI) in patient interactions to disclose to the patient that the patient is interacting with artificial intelligence. Requires health care providers using AI in making consequential decisions relating to the patient to provide certain notice and statements to the patient; maintain a qualified AI oversight personnel who shall be a natural person that reviews, evaluates, and validates or overrides AI outputs; monitor and conduct regular performance evaluations of their AI systems; implement procedures to address identified deficiencies; and maintain certain records. Requires certain health care providers using AI to submit annual reports to the Department of Health. Requires the Department to adopt rules.

t. [SB2409/HB1574 \(2026\) – Relating to Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program](#)

Requires a participant in the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program to remain and work in the State for a certain number of years based on the amount of financial assistance received.

u. [SB2465/HB1788 \(2026\) – Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to Establish Access to Health Care as a Fundamental Right](#)

Proposes an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to establish access to affordable health care as a fundamental right, subject to limitations balancing other essential public services.

v. [SB2505/HB2063 \(2026\) – Relating to Opioid Use Disorder Treatment](#)

Authorizes licensed paramedics to administer buprenorphine after administration of an opioid antagonist in cases of opioid overdoses, under certain conditions. Requires the Department of Health to implement a phased pilot program in at least 1 county with verified linkage-to-care capacity and authorizes expansion of the program statewide as additional treatment resources become available. Requires a report to the Legislature evaluating program outcomes.

w. HB2512 (2026) – Relating to Medical Freedom

Protects the right of individuals to make autonomous decisions regarding medical interventions without discrimination, coercion, or exclusion by public or private entities. Requires the Department of Health to amend its rules. Requires a report to the Legislature.

x. HB2513 (2026) – Relating to Health Care for Minors

Prohibits medical procedures and the distribution of hormones or puberty blockers for the purpose of allowing a minor to change their sex to correlate with an identified gender. Allows for certain exceptions. Creates both a private and state right of action. Outlines sanctions through the proper licensing authority for violations.

y. SB2521/HB2059 (2026) – Relating to Emergency Services

Exempts emergency medical services personnel from commercial driver's license requirements. Amends the definition of "authorized emergency vehicle" under State Traffic Code to replace ambulances with emergency medical services vehicles.

z. SB2690/HB1965 (2026) – Relating to Primary Care

Requires all health carriers to allocate, initially, not less than 6% of the carrier's total medical expenditures to primary care providers, with the percentage increasingly incrementally to 12%. Requires health carriers to pay primary care providers directly, rather than through administrative mechanisms. Places restrictions on downcoding and claim modifications. Requires health carriers to ensure access to primary care in rural areas, including access to Primary Care Access Visits and Community Access Primary Care Sites. Requires Insurance Commissioner to administer requirements established in bill. Requires the Department of Human Services Med-QUEST Division to apply the Act, to the extent permitted by federal law and subject to any federal approvals, to Medicaid managed care organizations. Requires reports. Requires the Auditor to evaluate the impact of the Act on various metrics 3 years after the measure's effective date. Establishes the primary care stabilization special fund.

aa. SB2763/HB1865 (2026) – Relating to Staffing Standards at Health Care Facilities

Requires each hospital to establish a Hospital Registered Nurse Staffing Committee by 9/1/2026. Requires the Staffing Committee to adopt and file a Staffing Committee Charter with the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations by 1/1/2027. Requires the Department to develop a Hospital Registered Nurse Staffing Plan Form by 1/1/2027. Requires each Staffing Committee to adopt and file a Staffing Plan, including minimum registered nurse staffing standards, with the Department by 7/1/2027, and annually thereafter. Requires hospitals to implement their Staffing Plan by 7/1/2027, and post the Staffing Plan and staffing schedules in publicly accessible areas. Requires Staffing Committees to receive, review, evaluate, and respond to reports and complaints regarding deviations from the Staffing Plan. Establishes a variance process allowing hospitals to temporarily deviate from their minimum registered nurse staffing standards. Establishes an enforcement framework to be administered by the Department, including review of Staffing Plans, complaint investigations, administrative appeals, and civil penalties for violations. Prohibits retaliation against certain persons who report staffing concerns or participate in enforcement proceedings. Increases the membership of the Center for Nursing Advisory Board to include three elected officers or governing board members of a labor organization representing registered nurses in the State. Requires the Center for Nursing to develop and maintain an online dashboard of staffing standards recommended by certain professional specialty organizations. Requires the Department to adopt rules. Appropriates funds.

bb. [SB2768/HB1787 \(2026\) – Relating to Health Care](#)

Establishes restrictions on the use of artificial intelligence, algorithms, or other software tools for purposes of decision-making in health insurance utilization reviews. Requires a licensed health care provider to review all adverse actions by the health carrier.

cc. [SB2858/HB2372 \(2026\) – Relating to Assisted Community Treatment](#)

Authorizes registered nurses and qualified paramedics licensed by the State to administer medication as part of an assisted community treatment order's treatment plan to the subject of the order, under certain circumstances.

dd. [SB2867/HB1976 \(2026\) – Relating to Dementia](#)

Requires the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, fire chiefs, Law Enforcement Standards Board, and Department of Health to provide or require the provision of at least 1 hour of dementia-specific training for first responders, including law enforcement officers, fire first responders, and emergency medical services personnel. Requires the Executive Office on Aging to review and recommend dementia-specific training curricula that address the recognition and signs of Alzheimer's disease and related types of dementia.

ee. SB2868/HB1875 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Expands the protections established under Act 2, SLH 2023, to include gender-affirming health care services, including clarifying permitted disclosures of protected health information to address changes in federal regulations. Establishes protections against abusive litigation. Prohibits medical malpractice insurers and health carriers from taking certain adverse actions against health care providers solely on the basis that the health care provider provides lawful reproductive health care services or gender-affirming care services.

ff. SB2998 (2026) – Relating to Medical Cannabis

Prohibits an employer from discriminating against a person in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment based on the person's status as a medical cannabis registry card holder or lawful use of medical cannabis, under certain conditions. Authorizes an employer to use a fit-for-duty test for medical cannabis qualifying patients in potentially dangerous occupations under certain conditions. Prohibits a professional or vocational licensing board from revoking the license of medical cannabis qualifying patients, or otherwise subjecting them to discipline, for their lawful use of medical cannabis, under certain conditions.

gg. SB3026/HB2187 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Prohibits health care facilities, health care providers, and emergency medical services from furnishing medical debt to a consumer credit reporting agency. Prohibits consumer credit reporting agencies from reporting or maintaining medical debt information in the file on a consumer.

hh. SB3027/HB2537 (2026) – Relating to the Patients' Bill of Rights

Establishes patient rights with respect to timely access to specialists and referrals and prior authorization determination timelines. Establishes certain requirements for health carriers for prior authorization determinations. Establishes certain requirements for the use of automated decision support tools for claims determinations and utilization review. Requires health carriers to establish certain safeguards for protected health information. Establishes certain reporting requirements for network adequacy. Establishes certain provider protections. Expands the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority.

ii. SB3077/HB2257 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Adopts the Uniform Health Care Decisions Act (2023), as modified, to replace existing chapters related to advance health care directives and advance mental health care directives.

jj. SB3134/HB2314 (2026) – Relating to Emergency Medical Services Systems of Care

Modernizes Hawaii's emergency medical services statutes to align with current best practices.

kk. SB3192/HB2552 (2026) – Relating to Emergency Healthcare Licensure Waivers

Authorizes the waiver of certain healthcare worker licensure requirements during emergencies. Requires an annual report to the legislature.

ll. SB3202/HB2206 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Amends the Healthcare Preceptor Tax Credit to remove language limiting access only to those practicing in primary care, to add licensed dietitians, physician assistants, and social workers as eligible preceptors and students, and to include residency and fellowship programs. Adds the Director of Health and a representative of residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2026.

mm. SB3203/HB2508 (2026) – Relating to Air Medical Services

Establishes the Statewide Air Medical Services Program within the Department of Health, Emergency Medical Services and Injury Prevention Systems Branch to coordinate and strengthen air medical services. Provides for an air medical director, an air medical program manager, and an air medical coordinator. Provides for annual licensure and accreditation fees to be deposited into the Emergency Medical Services Special Fund for costs of the program.

nn. SB3210 (2026) – Relating to Medicine

Appropriates funds for the University of Hawaii at Manoa John A. Burns School of Medicine to purchase, or to contract with a third party or third parties in the private sector to purchase and operate, a single-room proton therapy system; provided that the system shall be available to all residents of the State.

oo. SB3243/HB1789 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Establishes a Health Care for All Hawaii Board to design and recommend the Health Care for All Hawaii plan that is publicly funded and available to every resident of the State. Establishes values and principles for the board in developing its plan, designates the scope of the plan, requires the board to establish an advisory committee to provide consumer

perspective input, and requires the board to submit the plan to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Repeals 6/30/2027.

pp. SB3305/HB2143 (2026) – Relating to Health Care

Establishes a universal, single payer health care system to be known as "Hawaii Care", to provide comprehensive health care benefits to all state residents and eventually replace all existing health care plans in the State. Designates the Hawaii Health Authority as the responsible agency for the comprehensive planning, implementation, and administration of Hawaii Care. Requires the Hawaii Health Authority to develop and submit a comprehensive implementation and administration plan to the legislature by a certain date. Establishes the Hawaii Care special fund. Requires the Hawaii Health Authority to adopt rules and submit reports to the Legislature. Requires the Governor to appoint members to the Hawaii Health Authority by 12/31/2026. Requires the Department of Human Services to apply for necessary federal waivers. Takes effect 180 days after the approval of the Hawaii Medicaid State Plan and necessary federal waivers. Appropriates funds.

qq. SB3306/HB2144 (2026) – Relating to Medicaid

Prohibits a financial risk-bearing entity from administering Medicaid services. Requires the Department of Human Services to contract with one or more administrative services organizations to perform non-risk administrative functions for the operation of the State's Medicaid program. Requires the Department to establish a Medicaid Care Coordination Program to contract with community-based programs to provide care coordination services. Requires physicians, other independent practitioners, hospitals, and other institutional providers to be paid or reimbursed directly by the State's medicaid agency. Requires the Department to establish regional health hubs in each county to serve as localized oversight bodies. Requires the Department to convene a Medicaid Stakeholder Advisory Group to support continuous improvement throughout the transition period. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriate funds.