

**REPORT TO THE TWENTY-FOURTH HAWAII STATE
LEGISLATURE 2008**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ACT 236
SESSION LAWS HAWAII 2007**

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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**REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO
THE 2008 LEGISLATURE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF ACT 236,
SESSION LAWS HAWAII, 2007.**

Act 236, SLH 2007, established the Hawaii Children's Health Care program and the Hawaii Infant Health Care program as temporary three-year pilot programs to expand, and monitor for three years, health care coverage for children in Hawaii.

For the Hawaii Infant Health Care program, the Department of Human Services is required to report to the 2008 Legislature:

- (1) The number of children who were provided services through the Hawaii infant health care program;
- (2) A list of health care providers or managed care plans participating in the program;
- (3) The annual cost of the program; and
- (4) Any proposed legislation necessary to improve the program.

For the Hawaii Children's Health Care program, the Department of Human Services is required to report to the 2008 Legislature:

- (1) Any problems experienced with the program involving crowding out eligible participants;
- (2) Instances of people canceling their previous coverage to receive this free coverage;
- (3) The amount of funding used and for what purposes;
- (4) Any other problems encountered in the administration of the program; and
- (5) Any proposed legislation.

- I. Request for Proposal (RFPs): RFPs for both the Hawaii Infant Health Care and Children's Health Care programs were issued by the Department on January 11, 2008.
- II. Hawaii Children's Health Care program: The Hawaii Medical Services Association (HMSA) was the only bidder and was selected as the contractor, and services were begun effective March 1, 2008.

Hawaii Infant Health Care program:

There were no respondents to the RFP for this program. After inquiries with several community providers, in May 2008, the Kalihi-Palama Community Health Center consented to contract for this program but the contract has not yet been executed.

- III. There were approximately 1,700 children enrolled in the old HMSA Children's Health Plan. On March 1, 2008 when services for the new HMSA/State partnership for the Hawaii Children's Health Care program (HCHCP), aka as "Keiki Care Plan" began, these 1,700 children rolled over into the "Keiki Care Plan". From March 1st to April 30th, approximately 80 more children were enrolled for a total of 1,780 children with approximately \$45,390 per month being spent for the "Keiki Care Plan" for these children. If an average of 50 children per month were enrolled in May and June, expenditures would be an average of \$47,000 for May and June for a total of \$184,110 for FY08. HMSA has submitted no invoices to date.