

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

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 346-347,
HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
MED-QUEST DIVISION
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2007 ANNUAL REPORT ON THE STATE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, SECTION 346-347, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

Section 346-347, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the Department of Human Services to submit an annual report on the enrollment and financial status of the State Pharmacy Assistance Program (SPAP).

I. Enrollment

The State Pharmacy Assistance Program began on January 1, 2006, in response to the initiation of the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program. For July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, there were 31,055 eligible Hawaii residents enrolled in the SPAP.

II. Expenditures and Financial Status

For the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, the Department expended \$1,167,614.22 on eligible prescription drug co-payments for persons who are both Medicare and Medicaid eligible with incomes not exceeding 150% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

III. Act 264, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006

Act 264, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, raised the eligibility for SPAP from 100% the FPL to 150% FPL to match the federal Medicare law. The number of participating residents at 100% FPL was 26,767 residents for January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006. For FY 2007(July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007), with the implementation of the 150% eligibility on July 1, 2006, there were 31,055 residents enrolled in SPAP. Expenditures increased respectively from \$562,970 to \$1,167,164.22 for the same time periods.