

# SUICIDE PREVENTION

## Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training



HAWAII STATE  
DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH

Training Sponsored by

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Workshops are supported by a Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Grant and are offered without cost to the participant.

### HONOLULU

May 27-28 – Tokai University  
June 21-22 – Tokai University

### KONA

April 26-27 - Christ Church

### MAUI

May 10-11 – Cameron Center  
August 30-31 – Cameron Center

### KAUAI

June 3-4 – QLCC

### HILO

July 21-22 - TBA

Registration available at:  
<http://hawaii.gov/health>. Go to  
**Health Events** and register  
online.

## Suicide in Hawaii

### An urgent public health issue

- Hawaii loses 128 lives to this tragedy each year - about one every three days - and another 870 are hospitalized after attempting to take their own lives.
- Hawaii had the second highest percent of youth who reported “attempted suicide” among 39 states reporting, about 13%.
- Nationwide, Hawaii has the second highest percent of youth who reported that they “seriously considered attempting suicide” - nearly 20%

### Suicide Prevention

**Suicide Intervention Workshops** ■ The Hawaii State Department of Health will be offering two-day Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) workshops statewide continuing through 2010. The two-day workshops will provide training in how to recognize and assess the risk of an individual in crisis and provide suicide prevention first aid, thereby minimizing the suicide risk. The training will also provide information about referrals to the resources necessary for the level of care needed.

**Who should attend?** ■ School administrators, teachers, counselors, psychologists, behavioral health specialists, social workers, law enforcement, clergy, community-based/mentor agencies, community caregivers, crisis workers, alcohol and drug abuse prevention counselors, emergency service providers and anyone else who is interested in preventing suicides.

Questions?

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