



# Annual Report 2017



# HAWAII DISABILITY RIGHTS CENTER

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## 2017 PROGRAMS

### **CAP**

#### **Client Assistance Program** Rehabilitation Act *29 USC §732*

Informs, advises, assists and represents applicants and clients of vocational rehabilitation and other services authorized in the Rehabilitation Act.

### **P&A**

#### **PROTECTION & ADVOCACY SYSTEM** For People with Disabilities

#### **PAAT**

P&A for Individuals with Assistive Technology  
*29 USC §3004*

#### **PABSS**

P&A for Beneficiaries of Social Security  
*42 USC §1320b-21*

#### **PADD**

P&A for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities  
*42 USC §15001*

#### **PAIMI**

P&A for Individuals with Mental Illness  
*42 USC §10801*

#### **PAIR**

P&A for Individual Rights  
*20 USC §794e*

#### **PATBI**

P&A for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury  
*42 USC §300d-53*

#### **PAVA**

P&A for Voter Access  
*52 USC §21061*

## OUR CENTER

The Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC) is Hawaii's designated Protection and Advocacy (P&A) system for people with disabilities and designated Client Assistance Program (CAP). HDRC was established as a non-profit corporation (Kahua Ho'omalua Kina, A Place of Protection for the Handicapped, dba Protection and Advocacy Agency of Hawaii) in 1977 to protect and advocate for the human, civil and legal rights of people with disabilities.

**Federal mandate:** The Protection and Advocacy (P&A) System for people with disabilities is mandated in seven separate federal laws:

1. PAAT – Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Assistive Technology
2. PABSS – Protection & Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security
3. PADD – Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities
4. PAIMI – Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness
5. PAIR – Protection & Advocacy for Individual Rights
6. PATBI – Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury
7. PAVA – Protection & Advocacy for Voter Access

The Client Assistance Program (CAP), is a nationwide system to:

- Inform and advise all applicants and recipients of all available services under the Rehabilitation Act and to help them obtain services;
- Investigate complaints, resolve problems, appeal decisions; or represent applicants and clients of vocational rehabilitation in legal or other proceedings; and
- Provide information about Title I ("Employment") of the ADA.

**State mandate:** Protection and Advocacy is also authorized by Hawaii Revised Statutes §333F-8.5. HDRC was designated by Executive Orders 77-3, 82-4, 89-2 and 94-06 to provide its important protections for people with disabilities in the State of Hawaii.

## HDRC 2017 SERVICES (BY PROGRAM)

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	CAP	PAAT	PABSS	PADD	PAIMI	PAIR	PATBI	PAVA	TOTALS
<b>1. INFORMATION &amp; REFERRALS</b>	77	39	78	401	939	659	83	2	2278
<b>2. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES</b>	101	1	94	139	226	162	78	74	875
# People Reached	5980	4345	5426	6317	6107	5556	4763	4692	43,186
<b>3. TRAINING ACTIVITIES</b>	18	2	0	32	62	19	7	89	229
# People Trained	323	50	0	317	816	123	53	997	2679
<b>4. SYSTEM CASES</b>	1	0	1	5	5	3	0	2	17
Estimated # Beneficiaries	50	0	105	4901	2615	1200	0	250	9121
<b>5. INDIVIDUAL CASES</b>	50	109	38	324	249	92	8	175	1045
Care & Treatment	0	0	0	19	75	26	1	0	121
Citizenship	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	175	185
Education	24	0	0	218	7	3	2	0	254
Employment	26	0	38	12	0	7	0	0	83
Freedom of Association	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing	0	0	0	0	5	24	0	0	29
Justice	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
Program & Services	0	109	0	71	162	22	5	0	369
<b>TOTAL PEOPLE SERVED (1-5)</b>	<b>6,480</b>	<b>4,543</b>	<b>5,647</b>	<b>12,260</b>	<b>10,726</b>	<b>7,630</b>	<b>4,907</b>	<b>6,116</b>	<b>58,309</b>

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	CAP	PAAT	PABSS	PADD	PAIMI	PAIR	PATBI	PAVA	TOTALS
<b>Age</b>									
0 - 2	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	5
3 - 4	0	6	0	21	0	0	0	0	27
5 - 22	32	95	8	266	120	7	2	16	546
23 - 59	17	5	29	27	101	57	3	119	358
60+	1	2	1	7	28	27	3	40	109
<b>Sex</b>									
Male	25	74	19	218	145	51	5	102	639
Female	25	35	19	106	104	41	3	73	406
<b>Ethnicity</b>									
African	0	3	0	8	7	1	0	1	20
Asian	5	10	11	49	42	20	1	42	180
European	11	19	13	81	60	35	4	46	269
Hawaiian	4	7	1	14	12	2	0	17	57
Hispanic	2	2	1	6	13	2	1	3	30
Native American	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Pacific Islanders	0	1	0	11	6	6	0	4	28
Multi-Ethnic	28	67	12	155	108	26	2	62	460
<b>Disability</b>									
ADD/ADHD	7	37	0	60	56	0	0	4	164
AIDS/HIV	1	0	0	0	0	9	0	16	26
Alzheimer's	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
Anxiety Disorder	7	5	2	12	22	4	0	2	54
Arthritis	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	6	11
Autism	8	42	3	156	12	0	0	6	227
Blind, Visual Impairment	2	5	4	23	2	9	0	4	49
Cerebral Palsy	0	3	0	8	0	0	0	1	12
Deaf, Hard of Hearing	1	4	8	13	3	10	0	1	40
Developmental Disability	2	21	3	87	2	0	1	2	118
Diabetes	1	1	2	1	2	5	0	5	17
Digestive, Eating Disorders	0	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	6
Dwarfism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Environmental, Chemical Sensitivity	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Epilepsy, Seizure	1	3	0	12	4	2	0	3	25
Fibromyalgia	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	6
Genitourinary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Heart, Circulatory	0	1	1	2	3	9	0	0	16
Hydrocephaly	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kidney, Liver	1	1	1	0	0	6	0	2	11
Learning Disabilities	14	23	1	51	14	0	0	1	104
Lupus	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Mental Illness, SED, ODD	21	24	10	24	249	4	1	116	449
Mental Retardation, Downs	5	10	3	63	2	0	0	6	89
Multiple Sclerosis	1	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	6
Muscular Dystrophy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Muscular/Skeletal Impairment	2	1	2	4	15	28	0	3	55
Neurological, Org. Brain Synd	2	3	3	3	2	9	0	1	23
Oncology, Cancer	1	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	11
Orth/, Para/Quadruplegia	0	0	2	0	1	13	1	5	22
Resp/ Lung/ Emphysema	1	0	0	2	1	5	0	2	11
Speech, Language	0	8	0	25	2	0	0	0	35
Spina Bifida	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spinal Cord Injury	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	4
Substance Abuse, Alcohol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Acquired Brain Injury	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Traumatic Brain Injury	0	0	2	0	1	0	8	0	11
<b>Island</b>									
Hawaii	2	13	5	31	23	6	0	5	85
Kauai	1	9	1	24	7	2	1	5	50
Lanai	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Maui	8	12	5	54	39	11	0	2	131
Molokai	4	7	1	11	4	1	0	0	28
Oahu	34	68	26	204	176	72	7	163	750

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## ANNUAL REPORT - FY 2017 (OCTOBER 2016 - SEPTEMBER 2017)

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<p><b>The Hawaii Disability Rights Center defends and enforces the human, civil and legal rights of people with disabilities.</b></p> <p><b>Human Rights</b> are those natural rights that are accorded to all human beings. They are clearly stated in the U.S. Constitution as the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.</p> <p><b>Civil Rights</b> are an expansion of basic human rights and are specified in the U.S. Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Hawaii State Constitution. They include the rights to: freedom of religion, speech, press, assembly; petition for change; equal protection under the law; privacy; confidentiality; and appeal decisions.</p> <p><b>Legal Rights</b> are an expansion of our human and civil rights as established by specific laws, such as those laws which authorize protection and advocacy for people with disabilities.</p> <p><b>It is the policy of HDRC to:</b> Advocate for as many people with disabilities in the State of Hawaii, on as wide a range of disability rights issues, as our limited resources allow; and to:</p> <p>Resolve rights violations with the lowest feasible level of intervention; but to also:</p> <p>Provide full legal representation, including litigation, if necessary, to protect the rights of people with disabilities, consistent with authorizing statutes and Center priorities.</p>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr style="background-color: #FFDAB9;"> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Beginning Assets</b></td> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>October 1, 2016:</b></td> <td style="padding: 5px; 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