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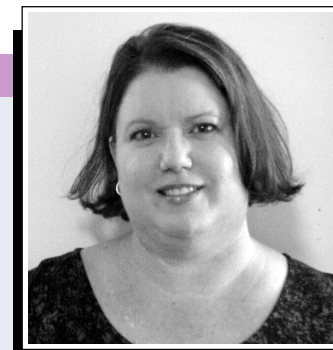
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## Native Hawaiian Healing Center Dining Pavilion Update

### Work In Progress

We're on schedule for completing the Native Hawaiian Healing Center Dining Pavilion in time for our 30th anniversary celebration to be held December 14.



### New Education Director Waianae Health Academy

Welcome to Chris Mikolajczyk

The Health Center is pleased to welcome Chris Mikolajczyk, from Kapiolani Community College, as the new Education Director for the Waianae Health Academy. Chris will coordinate the community-based educational courses and programs offered at the Health Academy as well as teach several classes. She will work in partnership with the Health Center's Ho'olokahi Department who will provide administrative oversight to the Health Academy. Chris replaces Linda (Miguel) Nuijten who is taking a one year leave of absence.

## Pohaku Workshop Held: Rock Wall Constructed



On September 6 and 7, 2002, more than 25 staff and community residents took part in a traditional rock wall building workshop, learning the traditions and protocols involved in working with Pohaku. The participants used their newly acquired knowledge to construct a rock wall at the back entrance of the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center.

The purpose of the workshop was to have participants learn the craft of traditional rock wall, terrace, and foundation work, incorporating Hawaiian cultural protocols and practices; gain insight into the restoration of our cultural

sites; and develop skills in landscape architecture using rocks and native plants that would enhance their job potential in the local landscape industry. The instructor was Billy Fields, of Hui Ho'oniho, a non-profit organization dedicated to the research and restoration of Hawaiian cultural sites. Experienced rock wall builders from the community were also on hand to share their expertise.

The workshop was put on by the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and Ka'ala Farm, Inc., and funded in part by a grant from the Administration for Native Americans.

## we are in transition Paper Medical Records to Electronic Medical Records

Please pardon the inconvenience while we are in transition from paper Medical Records to Electronic Medical Records.



Since June 1999, the Health Center has been preparing to implement an electronic medical record (EMR) system to replace the paper medical chart.

A new appointment system, implemented August 12 at the main campus, is the first phase of the EMR project. The system will be initiated within the satellite clinics and includes the scanning of patients' photo identifications. This helps to insure that we are providing medical care to the correct patient with the patient's correct medical record.

In October, the Ohana Clinic will begin the second phase of the EMR project - conversion of the paper record to an electronic chart. Old charts will be scanned into the computer and the information will be available to the medical staff via the computer instead of the paper chart. Documentation of a patient's visit will be recorded on the computer instead of being hand-written into a paper chart. Mauka Clinic will begin its conversion around mid-

November.

Some of the benefits of an electronic medical record include:

- Immediate access to a patient's record.
- Immediate access to a patient's ER record from any satellite clinic
- Multiple access to a patient's record. For example, if a patient is being treated by two health care providers, the patient's record can be viewed by both and discussed at the same time.
- More security by controlled access as well as a tracking system of all health center personnel who have viewed a patient's record.
- More legible patient information.
- Decrease in storage space in the medical records department.
- Decrease in paper usage.
- Better information for appropriate billing.

We thank our patients for their understanding, and patience, during this transition process.

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