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Press Release

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HEALTHCARE FACILITIES STAND READY TO WEATHER THE STORM

The public is urged not to shelter in hospitals or hospital parking lots. These areas are needed for the movement and treatment of patients.

The Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH) and our 130 member healthcare organizations are working closely with county, state and federal agencies to prepare for the two hurricanes approaching the state of Hawaii.

HAH Emergency Services is preparing vehicles, medical teams and supply & equipment sets for emergency response.

As of 8:00 am this morning, hospitals and other healthcare facilities are reporting a high state of readiness on each of the islands.

When the storm comes ashore, HAH Emergency Services will coordinate emergency response to affected areas together with police, fire and emergency medical services.

Recent hurricane disaster exercises such as Makani Pahili 2014 and RIMPAC 2014 have afforded HAH Emergency Services the opportunity to test plans and procedures. Those exercises have placed HAH and our member organizations on an excellent footing for this situation.

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