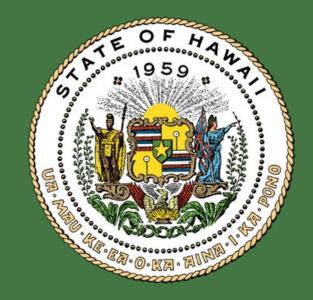
Senate Bill 3094 Relating to Peer Support Specialists





Hawai'i Session Laws 2022 – Gov. Ige signed Act 291 to establish OWR in the Office of the Governor

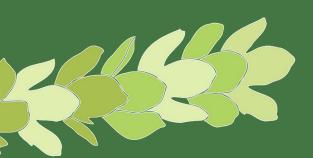
In Dec. 2022, Gov. Green appointed Director

Fully staffed in June 2023; staff on 3 islands will implement the charge of Act 291

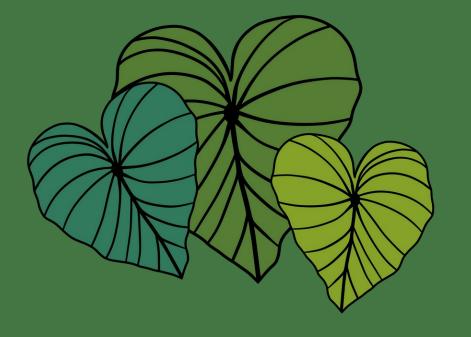


Our mission is to strengthen our state systems and services, using healingcentered care principles as strategies to make Hawai'i a trauma-informed state.

We break down barriers that impact the physical, social, and emotional well-being of Hawai'i's people from keiki to kūpuna.



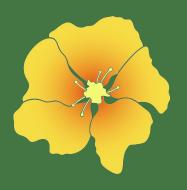




Senate Bill (S.B.) 3094 *Relating to Peer Support Specialists*

Proposes the creation of a working group consisting of state department decision-makers, community organizations, and people with lived experience to create a statewide framework to expand the role of peer support specialists within our State systems





S.B.3094 Relating to Peer Support Specialists

- Peer support as a guiding principle of trauma-informed care •
- Identify best practices to expand peer support opportunities in all state agencies, beyond mental and behavioral health
- Establish a framework to expand peer support in a collaborative manner, allowing state departments, community partners, and peers to collectively identify what is needed to onboard peer support specialists in State departments, including training and certification
- Collaborate on how the State can best sustain peer support programs
- Include voices of lived experience and expertise, including how the State can support peer support specialists in a trauma-informed, healing-centered way (supervision, etc)





Current Status

- Passed WAM hearing last Friday
- Waiting on crossover to be confirmed and committee assignment on House side •
- Companion bill H.B.2405 didn't make it •





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