

2015 Meeting Schedule: Hawaii Climate Change and Health Working Group (HCC&HWG)

Open to All Interested HPHA Members and others

Being Held every 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:30am to 12noon

Location: Hawaii State Capitol, in Conference room #329

Meeting 1: Aug 20, 2015: Focus: Introduction to WG; overview of HCR108, SD1 and HCCWG purpose; Climate Change Hawaii activities (*Sam Lemmo, DLNR*); Developing, improving, integrating, and maintaining state and regional disease surveillance systems and monitoring capacity to respond to health-related effects of climate change(*Dr. Tai Ho Chen, CDC & Dr. Sarah Park, DOH*)

Meeting 2: Sept. 17, 2015: Focus: Water security, food safety (*Dr. Laura Brewington, EWC*), and vector-borne infectious diseases (*Dr. Tai Ho Chen, CDC*)

Meeting 3: Oct. 15, 2015: Focus: Respiratory and pulmonary effects, including responses to air allergens; the health effects of air pollution, including heightened sensitivity to air pollution (*Dr. Elizabeth Tam, JABSOM*)

Focus: Brief overview of the implications of climate change for the world and Hawaii; and the need for action on climate change starting yesterday (*Dr. Camilo Mora, Department of Geography, UHM*)

Meeting 4: Nov. 19, 2015: Focus: Cardiovascular effects, including impacts of temperature extremes Mental and behavioral health impacts of climate change in the health of displaced persons and at-risk populations and communities

Meeting 5: Dec. 17, 2015: Focus: Climate Justice & Health (*Prof. Maxine Burkett, UH Law School and Dr. Seiji Yamada, JABSOM*); Initial report and recommendations to the 2016 Legislature finalized, reviewed by DOH and sent

Jan-June 2016: WG meeting agendas to focus on working on/refining strategies, tools, needs and resources to address priority challenges to Hawaii's health from climate change