

 <b>HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION</b> <i>Quality Healthcare for All</i>  <b>POLICY</b>	<b>Department:</b>  <b>LEGAL</b>	<b>Policy No.</b>  <b>PAT 0015A</b>
		<b>Supersedes Policy No.</b>
<b>Subject:</b>  <b>INFORMED CONSENT</b>	<b>Approved By:</b> <i>Brenda S. Ho</i>	<b>Approved Date:</b> February 27, 2025
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**I. PURPOSE:**

To ensure that patients or their authorized representatives are properly informed of the relevant risks, benefits, and alternatives before receiving care so that they may make informed decisions concerning their healthcare.

**II. POLICY:**

Healthcare providers who provide care or treatment at an HHSC facility, shall discuss with the patient or their authorized representative the treatment proposed, including the risks, benefits, and alternatives, for the purposes of obtaining and documenting an informed consent or refusal of treatment from the patient or their authorized representative, unless emergency treatment is needed and obtaining consent is not reasonably feasible. All patients or their representatives in all of HHSC's health care settings have a right to receive information and ask questions about recommended treatments so that they can make knowledgeable decisions about the care that they choose to receive.

**III. AUTHORITY:**

- Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 323F-7

**IV. RELATED PROCEDURE(S):** PAT 0015B

**V. REFERENCE(S):**

- HRS §671-3
- Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Title 16, Chapter 85, Subchapter 4