

STATE OF HAWAII HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION E HUIKALA A MA'EMA'E NŌ

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COMMISSIONERS
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HON, RONALD IBARRA (ret.)

MARTHA TORNEY

HON, MICHAEL A. TOWN (ret.)

Meeting Minutes

The monthly Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission meeting is offered as a hybrid meeting where Commissioners and members of the public can participate in person, or via teleconference. Details for both options are noted below.

Time: Thursday, September 11, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

Leiopapa A. Kamehameha Building

235 S. Beretania Street, Room 204

Honolulu, Hawaii 96744

Recording: YouTube

Items to be Discussed:

I. (0:00:10) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Martha Torney at 9:18 a.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2025. The meeting was conducted in accordance with Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Chapter 92.

II. (0:00:15) Roll Call

- Chair Mark Patterson (entered his appearance approximately 9:09 a.m.
- Commissioner R. Mark Browning
- Commissioner Ronald Ibarra
- Commissioner Martha Torney
- Commissioner Mike Town
- Christin Johnson, Oversight Coordinator

Quorum was established with four members present. Also present via Microsoft Teams was Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Candace Park. Special Assistant George Choe, Reentry Oversight Specialist Kimmy Takata, was present at the physical meeting location.

III. (0:00:50) Approval of Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2025

- Review of minutes by members. Motion by Commissioner Torney to approve September 11, 2025, Open Session Meeting Minutes.
 - i. Motion moved by Commissioner Town and seconded by Commissioner Ibarra.
 - ii. Vote: Unanimous approval, motion passed, minutes approved.

IV. (0:01:05) Monthly Update from Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation <u>Director Tommy Johnson</u>

- Update on the current and new Oahu Community Correctional Center (OCCC)
 - i. Director Johnson addresses the misinformation regarding OCCC being called a super jail which it is not.
 - ii. The facility is supposed to be 1,300 beds, 300 of the beds would be used for reintegration, for parole and probation violators who return to jail and furlough purposes
 - iii. The additional beds are to be used to transition people quickly into work furlough.
 - iv. Will expand the Lamaka work furlough site to 240 beds and reduce OCCC from four floors to two floors, maybe three. Currently working with architectural designer. Community Transition Center (CTC).
 - v. Average stay for Lamaka furloughs is 4-6 months, allows them to establish employment and money saved up, then they transition to extended furlough (living in the community).
 - vi. Current DCR policy now allows them to place people in furlough up to two years prior to their TPD. Must qualify to be classified as community custody two years before their TPD. Director Johnson will provide Oversight Coordinator Johnson with a copy of Professor Janet Davidson's final report regarding recommendations for classification changes.
- Update on Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF)
 - i. Consolidated healthcare center project at Halawa Correctional Facility (HCF). It will increase from 41 beds to 43 beds. Bids are planned to go out June 2026, and bids submitted between September-October 2026.
 - 1. Will have five Adult Correctional Officers (ACO) on duty at all times.
- Update on the Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system
 - i. Vendor will review correction EMR system
 - ii. Multi-year contract
 - iii. Currently in phase 1 (\$24M)
- Update on the Offendertrak system
 - i. New system with contract anticipates to be operating before the end of 2027, and current system with Motorola will terminate updates in 2026.
- Employee Wellness events
 - i. May 6, 2025 Financial wellness fair
 - ii. July 7, 2025 Wellness fair at TSD for employees.
 - iii. August 19, 2025 Financial wellness fair estate planning webinar
 - iv. September 9, 2025 Financial wellness social security Medicare webinar
- Offender Resource fairs

- i. May 15, 2025 Hawaii Community Correctional Center, Hale Nani
- ii. June 17, 2025 Halawa Correctional Facility
- iii. August 28, 2025 Waiawa Correctional Facility
- iv. October 2025 Women's Community Correctional Center
- v. Ohana Day at Women's Community Correctional Center with Women's Prison Project
- vi. Keiki Days food, games, activities and entertainment for families and kids
- Recruitment Update(ACO classes)
 - i. 2023 three classes
 - ii. 2024 five classes
 - iii. 2025 eight classes
 - iv. Champions of change poster in every city bus, October 1 December 31, 2025.
 - v. 43 emergency hires

V. (0:28:50) Overview of Oversight Coordinator Report

- Death in Custody
 - i. August 11, 2025
- Tours
 - i. August 14, 2025 Hawaii State Hospital
- Events Attended
 - i. August 14, 2025 Women's Community Correctional Center Ho'ike
 - ii. August 28, 2025 Waiawa Correctional Facility Resource Fair
 - iii. August 22, 2025 Sequential Intercept Mode (SIM)
- Projects
 - i. Complaint Management System
- Past Meetings
 - i. August 14, 2025 Monthly commission meeting

The commission meeting ended abruptly due to a bad attendee and resumed the meeting after once attendee was removed. Unfortunately, the recording of part 2 was not viewable as the file was corrupted. Please refer to the Oversight Coordinator report for more details regarding the overview.

VI. Overview and Discussion Regarding Tour of Hawaii State Hospital

• On August 14, 2025, directly following the monthly Commission meeting, Chair Patterson, Commissioner Browning, Commissioner Torney, the Oversight Coordinator and staff attended a tour of the Hawaii State Hospital (HSH) hosted by Hawaii State Hospital Administrator, Mark Linscott. Dr. Michael Champion, Senior Advisor for Mental Health and the Justice System, also accompanied the Commission on the tour. The tour was extremely helpful in understanding how mental health intersects with the justice system, and the care offered by the state hospital.

VII. Update on Upcoming Visit from FAMM

• FAMM is a nonprofit focused on creating a more fair and effective justice system that respects our American values of individual accountability and dignity while keeping our communities safe.

VIII. Public Comment

• Public comment on issues not on the agenda, for consideration for Commission's agenda at the next meeting.

IX. Evaluation of Oversight Coordinator

• The Commission anticipates convening an executive meeting to evaluate the performance of the Oversight Coordinator pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(2).

X. Announcements and Scheduling of the Next Meeting

- Wednesday, September 17, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
 - i. Facility Tour: Oahu Community Correctional Center
- Thursday, October 9, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
 - i. Monthly Commission Meeting
 - ii. Facility Tour: Halawa Correctional Facility

XI. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

George Choe, Special Assistant to Oversight Coordinator Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission