



Call for Posters

'Aha Ho'olōkahi 2025 – Weaving our Strengths Toward Maui Ola

Hale 'Imi Hawai'i, the Data and Research Department of Papa Ola Lōkahi, is pleased to announce a call for students and early career posters for our upcoming conference, 'Aha Ho'olōkahi 2025: Weaving our Strengths Toward Maui Ola. The 'Aha aims to bring together health practitioners and professionals, elders, community members, students, and researchers to amplify traditional and emerging knowledge and exchange ideas and resources around Native Hawaiian health, healing, and well-being. This is an exciting opportunity for students and early career professionals to showcase their work that contributes to the advancement of Native Hawaiian well-being.

We invite you to consider how your work contributes to the health and well-being of our communities through the lens of Kūkulu Kumuhana, a Native Hawaiian wellbeing framework grounded in the wellbeing dimensions of Ea (self-determination and agency), Pilina (mutually sustaining relationships), Waiwai (ancestral abundance), 'Ōiwi (cultural identity), Ke Akua Mana (spirituality and sacredness of mana), and 'Āina Momona (healthy and productive lands and people).

Students and early career professionals may submit posters that highlight research, projects, or initiatives focused on the following:

- Community-based interventions and programs
- Mental health and wellness
- Public health policy
- Environmental and cultural factors
- Native Hawaiian traditional or cultural practices

Submission Guidelines:

- Posters should be research-driven, community-based, or program-focused, and pertain to Native Hawaiian health and wellbeing
- Abstracts (250 words max) must be submitted by **May 16, 2025, 11:59 pm**.
- Poster presentations should include clear visuals, background information, relevant data, findings, and next steps.



Abstract Guidelines:

The abstract should answer the following questions:

- What is this your project about?
- Who does it concern? Who is impacted by this project?
- When did your project take place?
- Where is/are the geographic context(s), if applicable, to which your project speaks?
- How? (What methods are used?)
 - Does your project represent a research collaboration? If so, what kind? Such as, with knowledge holders outside the academy? Within a team at your own institution? Within a team at multiple institutions? Something else?
- Why are questions, inquiries, or conclusions important? What is your contribution to Native Hawaiian health?

Additional Notes:

- State your findings/conclusions explicitly; it helps the Program Committee evaluate your proposal and Program readers decide on which papers/sessions to attend.
- If you are working on a large project, focus your proposal on a chunk of it. It takes 2-3 minutes to read a double-spaced page: 20-minute paper = 10 pages, max. Structure your abstract so that your ideas can be covered in 20 minutes.
- Begin your abstract with your topic/focus/question. Indicate clearly what you plan to argue/show/demonstrate. If there is necessary background or contextual information, put it at the end – not the beginning.
- To sum up: Is your abstract scholarly, focused, substantive, and descriptive?

How to Submit:

1. Submit your abstract through the <https://forms.office.com/r/GYkBp4G8WX> by May 16, 2025, 11:59 pm.
2. Please include your name, institution, and the title of your poster.
3. If selected, you will be notified by June 1, 2025 and given instructions for poster presentation.



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PRESENTED BY PAPA OLA LŌKAHI

JULY 23 & 24, 2025 | ALA MOANA HOTEL

Important Dates:

- Abstract Submission Deadline: May 16, 2025, 11:59 pm.
- Notification of Acceptance: June 1, 2025
- Conference Date: July 23 & 24, 2025

For more information or questions, please contact imihawaii@papaolalokahi.org.

Conference Host:

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