

Responsive Caregivers of Hawai'i

*Serving individuals with
special needs since 1975*

OUR MISSION is to increase independence, productivity, and integration of persons with developmental disabilities and other special needs in Hawai'i.

WE STRIVE TO empower our clients to achieve the quality of life *they* desire. We support them in this goal by helping them to create a sense of identity and lifestyle, and then honoring their choices and respecting their family and cultural values.

OUR ENVISIONED FUTURE is for all of Hawaii's citizens with developmental disabilities and other special needs to be integrated into the community and have meaningful relationships with friends and family.

Much of this work to transform lives is made possible through the Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver Program

HCBS Waiver Program At-A-Glance

<i>Waiver program purpose:</i>	To enhance the quality of services and provide protections for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, and ensure that people receiving services have access to the benefits of community (vs. institutional) living
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<i>Community members served:</i>	Hawai'i residents with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, who have substantial limitations in three or more areas of life activities, are eligible for Medicaid, and require comprehensive care
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<i>Types of services provided:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adult day health*• Assistive technology• Chore Services*• Discovery & Career Planning and Individualized Employment supports• Environmental Accessibility Adaptations• Non-medical transportation• Personal assistance/habilitation*• Personal emergency response systems• Residential Habilitation*• Respite• Skilled nursing• Specialized medical equipment & supplies• Training and consultation*• Vehicular modifications• Waiver Emergency services
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<i>Service providers:</i>	More than 60 qualified private sector and nonprofit agencies throughout the state
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<i>Waiver service costs:</i>	Based on the most current information available, the average annual cost per person for waiver services in Hawai'i was \$40,229 (U.S. average = \$45,795)
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<i>Funding mechanism:</i>	The program is jointly funded through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid and state government
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** services currently provided by Responsive Caregivers of Hawai'i*

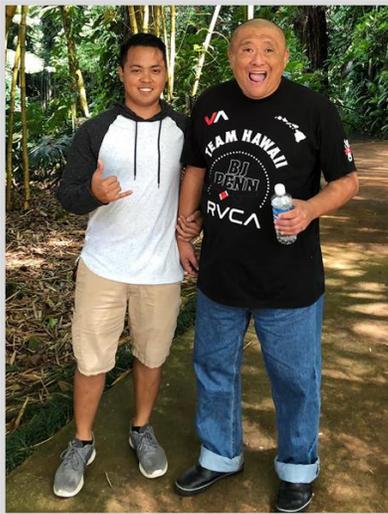
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RESPONSIVE CAREGIVERS OF HAWAII Community Impact

"I like RCH because I am able to work and earn money."

—Christopher Valant,
program participant

"Responsive Caregivers of Hawai'i has been the agency which has provided 25 years of day care services for our son with special needs. RCH services have helped tremendously in his ability to learn and function to his fullest potential in his environment."

—George & Rose Crozier

"Having worked for the agency for more than 31 years, I have seen how we have helped the participants improve especially in their behaviors through the years. The staff and participants help and treat each other with respect and aloha."

—Leonard Mendeguarin,
direct support worker

