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2022 Hawai'i Stroke Coalition Symposium Evaluation Summary

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Evaluation Overview

In December 2022, the Hawai'i Stroke Coalition (HSC) partnered with the Hawai'i State Department of Health (HDOH) to hold a symposium to educate healthcare providers on current advances in stroke treatment and rehabilitation, and to strengthen partnerships between stroke care providers, health systems, and community stakeholders in Hawai'i. The symposium was supported in part by the Centers for Disease Control's Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Program funding awarded to HDOH to implement population-based strategies to reduce stroke-related mortality and disparities in stroke outcomes across Hawai'i's continuum of care.

Evaluation Objectives

The Healthy Hawai'i Evaluation Team (HHET) supported the HDOH in this evaluation of the symposium. The aims of the evaluation were to 1) collect information about the symposium attendees, 2) assess awareness of the HDOH's Coverdell Program Activities, 3) to gather feedback about the symposium sessions, 4) evaluate if the symposium provided opportunities to strengthen partnerships.



<https://hawaiistrokecoalition.org/symposium-2022/>

Methods



HHET collaborated with HDOH and the HSC to develop a 13-question anonymous online survey, which was administered during the symposium



95 surveys were collected from symposium participants



HHET summarized survey results in a report provided to HDOH and the HSC in March 2023

Key Findings



Most participants were health care professionals (e.g., nurses, physicians, paramedics, physical therapists) from O'ahu and worked in acute stroke care



About 3 out of 4 participants were unaware of the Coverdell program prior to the symposium and about 2 out of 5 said they learned about it at the symposium



Over half of respondents were neutral or did not agree that the symposium allowed them to build new relationships with people or organizations who work in the area of stroke care and/or treatment



The majority of respondents agreed that they learned new information about stroke care and treatment and thought the event was helpful for the community

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