Hawaii Disability Rights Center

a private non-profit public interest corporation,
protects and promotes the human, civil and legal rights
of people with disabilities
through the provision of information and advocacy.

HDRC is Hawaii’s
PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM
for People with Disabilities

and

CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
CAP

as authorized in federal and state law
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Federal and state laws establish specific CARE AND TREATMENT PROTECTIONS for people with disabilities.

The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act was first authorized by Congress to assure protection from abuse and neglect of people with developmental disabilities. The DD Act now includes additional important rights related to care and treatment.

In passing the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI) Act, Congress found that:

“Persons with mental illness are vulnerable to abuse and serious injury; . . . to neglect, including lack of treatment, adequate nutrition, clothing, health care, and adequate discharge planning; state systems for monitoring compliance with respect to the rights of persons with mental illness vary widely and are frequently inadequate . . . “

PAIMI specifically includes a Patient’s Bill of Rights.

The Patient Bill of Rights Act of 1998 establishes new health care rights for all patients, including those with disabilities.

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CARE & TREATMENT PRIORITIES

► Death Investigations
► Abuse and Neglect – Financial, Physical, Psychological, Sexual
► Medication & Treatment Issues – ECT, Seclusion, Restraints (Physical and Chemical), Excessive & Experimental Medication
► Informed Consent
► Advance Directives
► Discharge Planning
► Community Integration (Olmstead Enforcement)
► Due Process
► Confidentiality, Right to Privacy

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