

Shared Responsibility - Emergency Medical Systems

Emergency Medical Systems and Hospitals are Working to Improve Trauma Care

- With support of the Department of Health, all three acute care hospitals on Hawaii Island, North Hawaii Community Hospital, Kona Community Hospital and Hilo Medical Center, are working to become Level III certified Trauma Centers.
- There is clear evidence that screening in the emergency room for problem drinking combined with brief intervention and referral to treatment is effective to reduce recurrent alcohol-related trauma (Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2010). The Queen's Medical Center Emergency Department implemented a screening brief intervention program in its emergency department in 2008.
- Hilo Medical Center partnered with the Prosecutor's Office and Waiakea High School student drinking and driving prevention through a Shattered Dreams Project April 2010. (DVD's to support high school student prevention efforts are available through the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, Mitch Roth (808) 934-3508).
- Kona Community Hospital has plans to implement an alcohol screening program.



HILO MEDICAL CENTER



KONA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL



NORTH HAWAII COMMUNITY HOSPITAL