SPECIAL EDUCATION PROVIDER ALLIANCE OF HAWAI’I (SEPAH)

Working with the Hawai’i Department of Education to assure educational opportunities for keiki with special education needs.

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Who we are?

- We provide ABA and Behavioral Instruction Supports (BISS and Paraprofessional Services) to the HIDOE.

- We are a loose affiliation of 10 of 13 special education contract providers to HIDOE (5 active member organizations and 5 in support)

- We have 1,500 employees throughout the state providing support and services to children.
Why did we form?

• To foster a more effective two-way communication with the HIDOE.

• To work to assure the integrity of special education supports throughout COVID and beyond.

• To work with HIDOE to assure provider resources are utilized to mitigate student regression.

• To protect a skilled workforce from unemployment.

• To improve overall service provider quality.
What are our goals?

1. **Communication:** To have a regular, centralized, two-way communication with HIDOE monthly or quarterly to assure collaboration and quality.

2. **Special Education Integrity:** To assist HIDOE in building best educational tele-practice and remote learning opportunities through the summer and beyond.

3. **Facilitate Collections:** To advocate for payments on services previously rendered so that smaller organizations can stay afloat throughout the COVID crisis.
Mahalo for your support!

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