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**UH CANCER CENTER ADDRESSES MOST COMMON CANCER IN MEN IN HAWAI'I AT 4th ANNUAL PROSTATE CANCER FORUM**

HONOLULU – The University of Hawai'i Cancer Center hosted its 4th Annual Prostate Cancer Forum. The event is in recognition of National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. The forum featured local physicians who spoke about the latest prostate cancer treatments, breakthroughs and strategies.

The most common cancer in men in Hawai'i is prostate cancer, which accounts for 22 percent of cancer cases. Annually, an average of 743 men are diagnosed with invasive prostate cancer in Hawai'i, and an average of 99 men die of prostate cancer in the state each year.

Nearly all prostate cancers are diagnosed at ages 55 and older. Prostate cancer incidence and mortality rates in Hawai'i steadily declined over the past 20 years with the rate of new cancers falling nearly 5 percent per year over the past decade according to the Hawaii Tumor Registry of the UH Cancer Center.

To see photos: [http://owl.li/d2l430flouV](http://owl.li/d2l430flouV)

The University of Hawai'i Cancer Center through its various activities, cancer trial patients and their guests, and other visitors adds more than $54 million to the O'ahu economy. It is one of only 69 research institutions designated by the National Cancer Institute. Affiliated with the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, the Center is dedicated to eliminating cancer through research, education, patient care and community outreach with an emphasis on the unique ethnic, cultural, and environmental characteristics of Hawai'i and the Pacific.

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