

## S 76

### Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Reauthorization Act of 2009

**Congress:** 111 (2009–2011, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Native Americans

**Introduced:** Jan 6, 2009

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S75-8)

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S75-83) (Jan 6, 2009)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/111th-congress/senate-bill/76>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Inouye, Daniel K. [D-HI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 6, 2009

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Native Americans

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 4024	Identical bill	Nov 5, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Reauthorization Act of 2009 - Reauthorizes for for FY2009-FY2014 and revises the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act. Requires any Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) grant to or contract with Papa Ola Lokahi (an organization of public agencies and private organizations focused on improving the health status of Native Hawaiians) to support community-based initiatives that reflect holistic approaches to health.

Requires Papa Ola Lokahi to report to Congress on the impact of federal and state health care financing mechanisms and policies on the health and well-being of Native Hawaiians.

Makes Papa Ola Lokahi eligible to receive research endowments under the Public Health Service Act.

Adds to authorized services the support of culturally appropriate activities enhancing health and wellness, including land-, water-, ocean-, and spiritually-based projects and programs.

Allows a priority for Native Hawaiian health scholarships to be provided to employees of the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems and the Native Hawaiian Health Centers. Allows the provision of financial assistance to a scholarship recipient during the period of obligated service in any of such health care systems or health centers.

Authorizes Papa Ola Lokahi to provide fellowships to Native Hawaiian health professionals.

Authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to allocate funds to carry out Native Hawaiian demonstration projects of national significance, including the establishment of specified Native Hawaiian Centers of Excellence. Deems the Papa Ola Lokahi as a qualified Center of Excellence.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 6, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S74-75)
- **Jan 6, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. (text of measure as introduced: CR S75-83)