



Aloha kākou,

Uhaele mai! Join the Pū‘ā Foundation and our partners at a transformative **Mana Wahine** (female empowerment) gathering where you will learn about innovative gender and culturally-responsive, trauma-informed approaches that integrate Native Hawaiian healing practices with western methodologies in support of justice-involved women, girls and their families.

Mana Wahine (Female Empowerment)
Aulani, a Disney Resort
Kapolei, Hawai‘i Island of O‘ahu
September 7-8, 2018

- Discover what works through conversations with justice-involved families, community organizations and professionals.
- Learn about the science behind Native Hawaiian cultural and healing practices.
- Participate in Native Hawaiian cultural and healing activities and experience its impact.
- Learn about the importance and benefit of integrating cultural and healing practices with western methodologies.

The **Mana Wahine** gathering is a unique approach to strengthening the capacity of staff, community and family to support girls and women in or at risk of justice involvement while enhancing the wellness of all participants. Moreover, you’ll be experiencing **Mana Wahine** side by side with justice-involved women; families; colleagues working in the judicial system including community-based and faith-based organizations; health care professionals; cultural practitioners; and more, all dedicated to creating safe places and spaces for healing.

Way-finding, the understanding of a sense of place and self, leading to empowerment is the guiding theme for building awareness, demonstrating skills, offering opportunities for application, and connecting to the pillars of the whole person – mind, body, and spirit.

Visit our website at <http://www.puaafoundation.org> for hotel and registration information. Space is limited so register today! Please contact us via email at lei.kapono@hawaii.edu with any questions.

With Warm Regards,

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Executive Director, Pū‘ā Foundation



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MANA WAHINE OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of the gathering, the participant will be able to:

- Integrate the developing network of resources connecting public, private, faith-based organizations, family and peer support that advance transformative justice systems change.
- Apply new knowledge and skills of effective gender and culturally-responsive, trauma-informed approaches to reduce justice system involvement disparities.
- Apply lessons learned, innovation and models in practice to improve justice system services and outcomes.

PROFESSIONAL TARGET AUDIENCE:

The program will be of interest to:

- government and non-government professionals working with or in the criminal justice system and public health services;
- philanthropic organizations supporting systemic change and collective impact;
- grassroots community organizations interested in being a part of ongoing efforts;
- everyone interested in trauma, healing and systemic change.

OUR LOGO:

The Mana Wahine logo is the lehua blossom. In nature, the ohia lehua is one of the first plants to grow and emerge on the lands that have been blanketed in lava. The explosion of vibrant red flowers amidst the blacken landscape is a magnificent sight to see. This showing of hardiness, ability to thrive, and loveliness represents Mana Wahine: strength and beauty. In traditional Hawaiian literature, the lehua is associated with Pele, the powerful goddess of fire, lightning, wind, and volcanoes who makes her home at Halema‘uma‘u Kilauea Crater. The plant is also the kinolau, or physical manifestation of several other goddesses, Hi‘iakaikapoliopole, Kapo and Laka, dieties of the hula.