2008 Annual Report of Program Data Coversheet

College: Hawaii Community College

Program: Care Home Operator

Check All Credentials	AA	AS	ATS	AAS	CA	CC	COM	ASC	
Offered						X			

College Mission Statement (or provide link)

http://hawaii.hawaii.edu/abouthawcc/

Program Mission Statement (or provide link)

The purpose of the Certificate of Completion in CHO is to provide a continuous and adequate supply of Care Home Operators for employment in the Adult Residential Care Home system of Hawai'i County and the State of Hawai'i.

OVERALL PROGRAM HEALTH (Check one)					
Healthy	Cautionary	Unhealthy			
	X				

Part II. Analysis of the Program (strengths and weaknesses in terms of demand, efficiency, and effectiveness based on an analysis of the data)

According to the new formula utilized for determining health of programs, this program's overall health is cautionary. That is based on the demand and effectiveness being considered unhealthy. Demand appears to be unhealthy because the number of majors does not satisfy the number of new and replacement positions. Exactly what data was used to determine the new and replacement positions is not known to this writer. The CHO courses are offered once each semester and accommodate 25-30 students. Almost all students complete the course sequence successfully which means approximately 55 students are prepared to apply to operate adult residential care homes each year. The effectiveness indicators do not capture this information. The program is set up to award a certificate of completion if students ask to have the non-credit nurses' aide course converted to credit and combined with the CHO courses. Students are not interested in this option and therefore the number of certificates of completion earned is zero. Adult residential care homes are a growing and vital part of the county and state network for elder care. The courses need to be continued. However the option of earning a certificate of completion should be deleted along with the designation of CHO as a program.

Significant Program Actions (new certificates, stop-out; gain/loss of positions, results of prior year's action plan)

The program was audited by the state last year and it was recommended that an additional credit be added in order to accommodate additional content. In order to be in compliance with the state recommendation the courses were not offered fall 2008. An additional credit will be offered during spring 2009 as an experimental course. A request to modify the curriculum to add an additional credit was also sent to HawCC curriculum committee and was approved. Therefore as of fall 2009 the 4 credits of CHO courses will be offered.

A survey of graduates was not conducted. It is known informally that most students completing the CHO courses either work in an adult residential care home or own and operate one. Another faculty has not been found who could take over the CHO courses upon the primary faculty's retirement.

Part III. Action Plan

Eliminate the certificate of completion in CHO.

Part IV. Resource Implications (physical, human, financial)

NONE