

# Hawaii Medical College and ALU LIKE Partner to Expand Access to Advanced Nurse Aide Training

*New ALU LIKE-Supported Cohort Helps Hawai'i Residents Prepare for High-Demand Healthcare Careers*

HONOLULU, HI, UNITED STATES, August 11, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Hawaii Medical College](#) (HMC) is partnering with [ALU LIKE](#) to offer a specially supported cohort of its 10-week Advanced Nurse Aide (ANA) program, creating an affordable pathway for individuals seeking to enter Hawai'i's growing healthcare workforce.

The ALU LIKE-supported cohort will accommodate up to 12 participants. Through ALU LIKE's sponsorship of the cohort, selected participants will have a remaining program balance of just over \$400, helping reduce financial barriers while providing access to high-quality healthcare training.

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Hawaii Medical College*



Students and instructors gather in a hands-on clinical training classroom, showcasing the collaborative learning environment and real-world healthcare education experience.

Hawaii continues to experience a strong demand for skilled healthcare professionals across hospitals, long-term care facilities, rehabilitation centers, home care agencies, skilled nursing facilities, and other patient care settings. The [Advanced Nurse Aide program](#) is designed to help address this workforce need by preparing students with the knowledge and hands-on skills necessary to provide compassionate, high-quality patient care.

The 10-week program provides comprehensive nurse aide and direct patient-care training. Upon successful completion, qualified graduates may sit for

both the Hawaiʻi Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) examination, administered through Prometric, and the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) Certified Patient Care Technician/Assistant (CPCT/A) examination, expanding their career opportunities across a wide range of healthcare environments.



Hawaii Medical College and ALU LIKE, Inc. join together in a partnership focused on education, opportunity, and community advancement.

"We're proud to partner with ALU LIKE to help more residents gain the skills, credentials, and confidence needed to enter one of our state's most essential industries, said Ashton Cudjoe, President of Hawaii Medical College. By working together, we can strengthen Hawaiʻi's healthcare workforce while creating life-changing career opportunities."

The Advanced Nurse Aide program emphasizes both classroom instruction and practical, hands-on training, preparing graduates to provide direct patient care while working as valuable members of healthcare teams. Graduates may pursue career opportunities in hospitals, long-term care facilities, skilled nursing centers, rehabilitation facilities, home healthcare organizations, and other medical settings throughout Hawaiʻi.

This ALU LIKE-supported cohort reflects the shared commitment of both organizations to expanding access to short-term career training that helps meet the state's workforce needs while opening doors to stable, rewarding healthcare careers.

Individuals interested in learning more about the Advanced Nurse Aide program and eligibility for the ALU LIKE-supported cohort are encouraged to contact HMC at [hmi.edu](http://hmi.edu).

#### About Hawaii Medical College

Opened in May 2007, Hawaii Medical College is Hawaiʻi's largest and most successful accredited locally owned career institution. Hawaii Medical College provides a supportive and care-oriented learning environment for students. Its professional staff trains students to be successful in a variety of careers from medical assistants, medical billing and coding to office assistants, and nurse aides. The college provides support and guidance to students from varying backgrounds, working adults, recent high-school graduates, military spouses, and veterans. Each year the college reports program completions of between 200 – 400. The mission of Hawaii Medical College is to provide a supportive environment where staff and students develop the necessary talents to be successful in their chosen careers.

#### About ALU LIKE

Founded in 1975, ALU LIKE, meaning "working together" in Hawaiian, is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping individuals and families build stronger futures through

education, workforce development, economic advancement, and community-based services. With offices across the Hawaiian Islands, ALU LIKE partners with communities to expand access to training, employment, and lifelong learning opportunities that foster self-sufficiency and strengthen Hawai'i's workforce. Learn more at [alulike.org](https://alulike.org).

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