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Spiritual care center's official name to be unveiled

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Governor Linda Lingle, along with religious leaders from the Christian, Buddhist, and Jewish communities will attend the dedication of the Counseling & Spiritual Care Center of Hawai'i at 11 a.m. Thursday.

The Center is the only organization in the state that offers counseling sensitive to the spiritual orientation of individuals, families, and communities regardless of people's ability to pay. The Center also serves people with no faith or religious tradition.

Attending the dedication service will be Bishop Chikai Yosemite and Rev. Thomas Okano from the Honpa Hongwanji, Rabbi Peter Schaktman from Temple Emanu-El, Rev. Barbara Grace Ripple from the United Methodist Church, Elder Jack Hogue from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Rev. Sky St. John from Unity Church of Hawaii, Bishop Randolph Sykes from the Inclusive Orthodox Church, Rev. Dr. David Hirano from the United Church of Christ, Father Larry Fisher representing the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hawai'i, Mr. Utu Langi from H5 (Hawai'i Helping the Hungry Have Hope), and others.

At this event, the Center's new name will be officially announced, along with its new program offerings, and the new Executive Director, Rev. Dr. Jonipher Kwong.

The Center is located at 1020 S. Beretania St. on the grounds of the First United Methodist Church (behind the main sanctuary).

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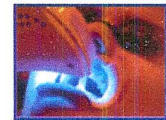


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