

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
REPORT TO THE 2006 LEGISLATURE**

**SECTION 26-14.6(m),
HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

**Annual Report
on
Drug Abatement Efforts**

November 2005

Statutory Reporting Requirements

Section 26-14.6(m), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), states that the Department of Public Safety (PSD) shall coordinate drug abatement efforts of the communities with the State, counties, and community agencies, by:

1. Facilitating sharing of resources and information.
2. Providing technical support for community mobilization groups.
3. Establishing community action plans for drug education, awareness, and prevention.
4. Facilitating problem solving in the delivery of law enforcement services by state and local agencies to the community.

The Department shall submit an annual report to the Legislature on its activities relating to this mandate.

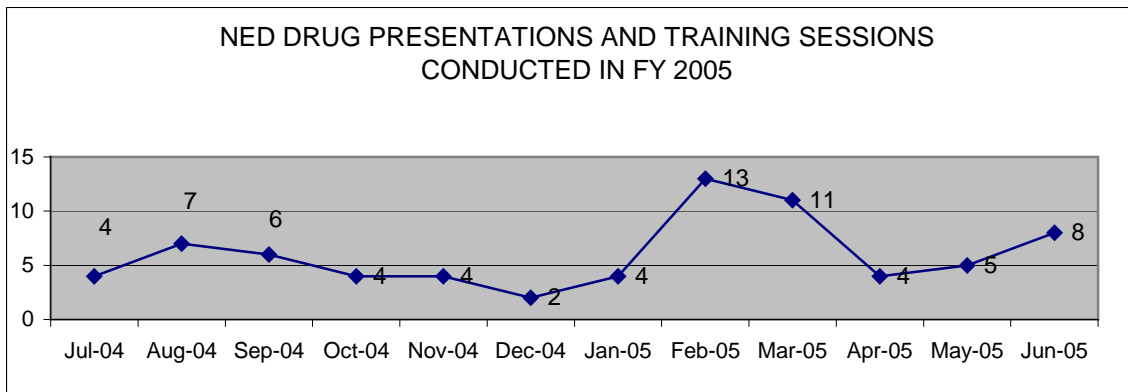
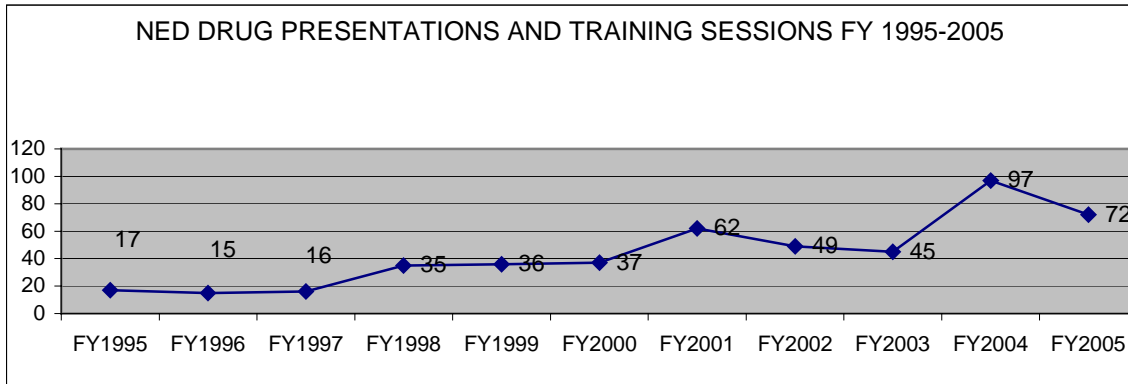
Narcotics Enforcement Division Education Programs

During FY 2005, the Department of Public Safety's Narcotics Enforcement Division (NED) took a leadership role in informing the community of Hawaii's methamphetamine problem. The Narcotics Enforcement Division conducted 72 drug education and clandestine laboratory presentations to law enforcement, schools, the medical community, and the general public throughout the State. These presentations received media coverage and were attended by 4904 individuals. NED's education programs include:

- Basic drug identification which provides an overview of Hawaii's drug trends, drug identification (including a live display of illicit and pharmaceutical controlled substances), basic explanation of the physical and psychological effects as well as the damage caused by drug use. NED conducts one- to eight-hour presentations on this topic to schools, law enforcement, businesses, community groups, and the general public.
- Clandestine laboratory first responder training that examines chemicals used in these dangerous street laboratories and explains how to identify the telltale signs. Different versions of this training are offered to law enforcement as well as the general public.
- Training for retailers on over-the-counter chemicals (pseudoephedrine, acetone, lye, acids, etc.) used by street chemists to manufacture illicit drugs. The training reviews the State requirements relating to the sale and reporting of suspicious sales of these products, as well as how to protect oneself from individuals purchasing or stealing these items.
- Prescribing controlled substances for pain and how to protect oneself from the pharmaceutical controlled substance abuser. These training presentations educate physicians and medical professionals on State law relating to the prescribing of controlled substances, and techniques used by the abuser to illegally obtain pharmaceutical controlled substances. Physicians are also informed about the numerous programs offered by NED, such as access to its electronic prescription monitoring program, medical use of marijuana, and NED's pharmacy alert program.

NED has partnered with the medical community, non-profit community organizations, as well as State, county and federal agencies in an attempt to educate the public on the dangers of drugs. During FY 2005, NED participated in the production of a second video documentary made by filmmaker Edgy Lee on Hawaii's "ice" problem. NED staff also participated as guest speakers on radio shows and television interviews in efforts to educate the public on Hawaii's drug trends and problems.

Fiscal Year	Number of Training Sessions	Number of Individuals Trained
2005	72	4904
2004	97	9140
2003	45	2485
2002	49	1025



The number of training sessions and attendees, by island and fiscal year, follow:

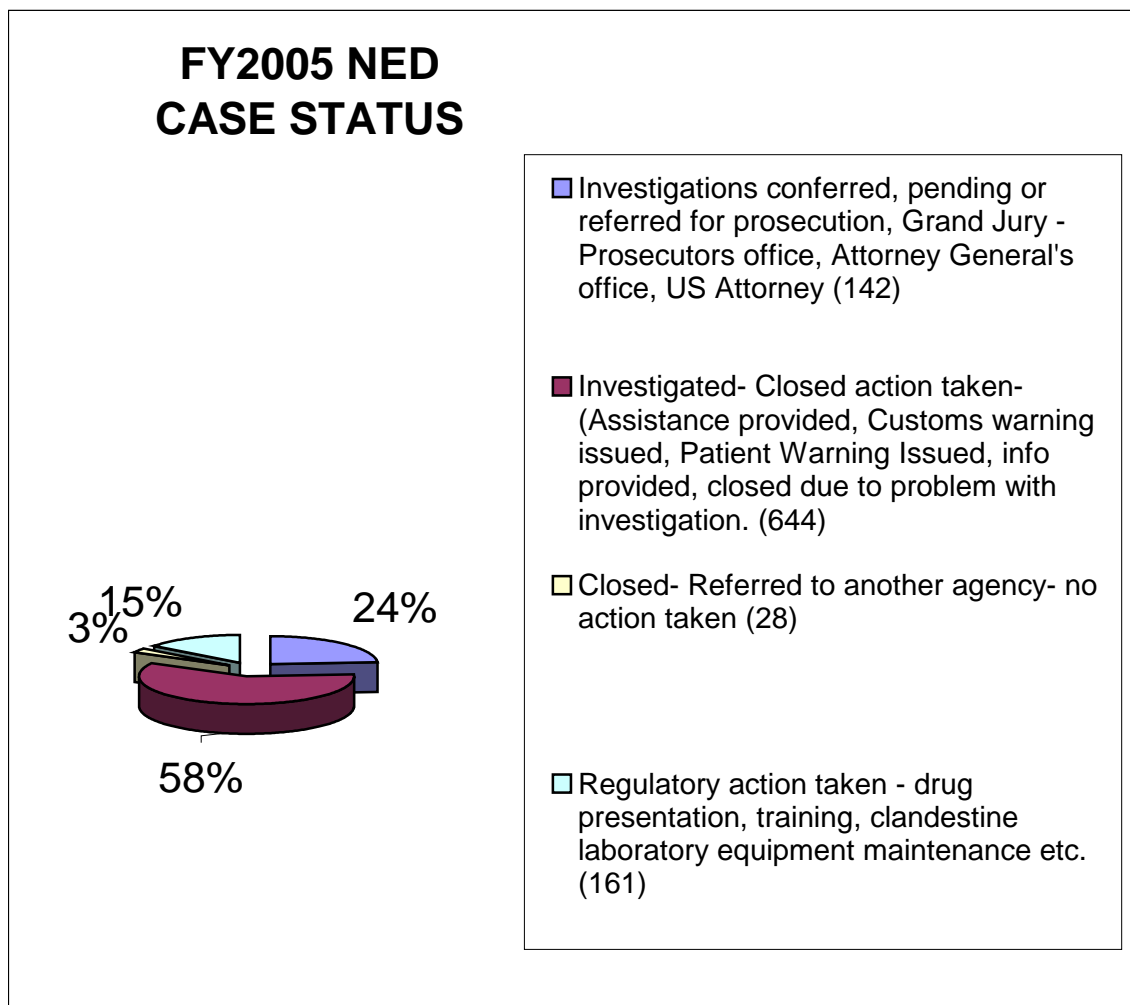
Island	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Hawaii	5 sessions/295 attendees	12 sessions/919 attendees	9 sessions/590 attendees
Kauai	2 sessions/75 attendees	11 sessions/2577 attendees	17 sessions/1385 attendees
Maui	2 sessions/140 attendees	2 sessions/40 attendees	1 session/20 attendees
Lanai	0 sessions/0 attendees	1 session/50 attendees	0 sessions/0 attendees
Molokai	0 sessions/0 attendees	1 session/35 attendees	0 sessions/0 attendees
Oahu	18 sessions/1112 attendees	69 sessions/5319 attendees	45 sessions/2909 attendees

NED Partnerships with Other Law Enforcement Agencies

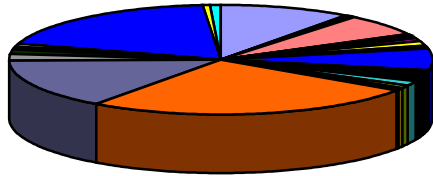
The Narcotics Enforcement Division's programs have facilitated the sharing of resources and information by working joint criminal investigations. Further, NED's participation in initiatives with the Hawaii High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) has also resulted in valuable partnerships.

The Department of Public Safety has also facilitated problem solving among State, county, and federal law enforcement agencies through collaborative response and referral of cases to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

During FY 2005, NED investigators initiated 1092 cases, including 931 criminal cases related to controlled substances or regulated chemicals, and 161 regulatory cases. Of these cases, PSD's Sheriff Division/Airport Detail initiated 107 while US Customs Service, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or the US Postal Service referred 275 pharmaceutical controlled substance or regulated chemical cases that are classified as interdiction cases. NED investigators also conducted 66 joint HIDTA Airport Taskforce and 41 HIDTA Money Laundering Taskforce case investigations.



FY 2005 NED CASES



- Airport Sheriff Detail/PSD (107)
- Dept Agriculture (1)
- Dept Health Office of Hazard Evaluation and Emergency Response (1)
- Dept of Land and Natural Resources (2)
- Deputy Director for Law Enforcement PSD (4)
- Drug Enforcement Administration (67)
- Federal Bureau of Investigation (4)
- Federal Pre Trial Services (1)
- Halawa Correctional Facility (9)
- Hawaii Community Correctional Center (10)
- Hawaii County Police Dep. (14)
- Hawaii Paroling Authority (4)
- HIDTA Hilo Taskforce (1)
- HIDTA Intelligence Section (1)
- HIDTA Money Laundering Taskforce (41)
- High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Airport Taskforce (66)
- Honolulu Police Department (4)
- Honolulu Prosecutors Office (4)
- US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (7)
- Internal Affairs Office PSD (6)
- Investigations and Inspections Office PSD (1)
- Kahului Airport LEO (1)
- Kauai Community Correctional Center/PSD (8)
- Kauai Police Department (2)
- Kulani Correctional Facility/PSD (2)
- Maui Community Correctional Center/PSD (15)
- Maui Police Department (10)
- Maui Prosecutor's Office (5)
- Naval Criminal Investigative Services (3)
- NED Criminal Investigations/PSD (271)
- NED Regulatory Cases/PSD (154)
- Oahu Community Correctional Center/PSD (20)
- San Diego Prosecutor's Office (1)
- Sheriff Division Hilo/PSD (1)
- Sheriff Division Circuit Court/PSD (12)
- Sheriff Division District Court/PSD (3)
- Sheriff Division K-9 Unit/PSD (1)
- Sheriff Division Kona/PSD (2)
- Sheriff Division Maui/PSD (1)
- Sheriff Division Protective Services/PSD (1)
- Sheriff Division Receiving/PSD (2)
- Sheriff Division Warrants/PSD (8)
- Training and Staff Development/PSD (1)
- US Attorney's Office (1)
- US Customs Airport Mail (198)
- US DHHS (5)
- US Provost Marshal (1)
- Women's Correctional Center/PSD (8)
- Waiawa Correctional Facility/PSD (1)

Types of Cases Investigated by NED

Following is a detailed listing of the nature of cases NED investigated in FY 2005:

- 76 Agency assist cases where NED investigator worked with other Federal, State or county law enforcement agencies.
- 38 Cases involving the disposal of controlled substances from a registrant.
- 47 Clandestine laboratory or chemicals utilized to manufacture investigations.
- 16 Clandestine laboratory protective equipment maintenance conducted by NED.
- 31 Drug activity complaints from public.
- 73 Drug presentations/training given. Total individuals receiving training approximated 4904.
- 23 State cases resulting in forfeiture.
- 17 Federal cases initiated by HIDTA Airport Taskforce resulting in Federal forfeiture.
- 33 Federal cases initiated by HIDTA Airport Taskforce Federal Drug Investigations.
- 4 Federal cases initiated by HIDTA Money Laundering Taskforce resulting in Federal forfeiture.
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- 3 Prisoner transport requests from by PSD correctional facilities.
- 17 Intelligence cases where information was gathered and disseminated to appropriate law enforcement agencies.
- 59 Fraudulently obtaining a controlled substance cases.
- 19 Multi-doctor cases where suspects visited numerous physicians and obtained controlled substances by deceit or subterfuge.
- 40 Non-drug criminal investigations assigned by PSD Director.
- 4 Nurse investigations relating to diversion of controlled substances.
- 9 Cases classified as Other Investigations, or miscellaneous cases investigated.
- 40 Prison contraband cases.
- 257 Promoting cases that required investigators to conduct surveillance on suspects for extended periods of time. These types of investigations where investigators are required to spend long hours on surveillance can run on for days at a time.
- 9 Controlled substance registrant investigations.
- 21 cases of theft from a medical facility, possibly involving medical professionals.
- 14 Registrant assist where NED investigators assist a practitioner with patient, pharmacy alert, or other.
- 42 Registrant assist where NED investigators assist a practitioner with HISTEM information or guidance regarding one of the practitioner's patients.
- 76 Agency assist where NED investigators assist a law enforcement agency with HISTEM information or guidance concerning a suspect abusing or diverting pharmaceutical controlled substances.
- 2 Agency assist where NED investigators assist a law enforcement agency with Medical Use of Marijuana certificate verification for a criminal case.
- 33 Registrant inspections, including controlled substances and regulated chemicals.
- 3 Miscellaneous cases.
- NED is presently monitoring 755 individuals utilizing its pharmacy alert system for doctor-patient or NED agreements, controlled substance violations, or suspected violations.
- In FY 2005, the Narcotics Enforcement Division's electronic prescription accountability system contained 501,681 prescriptions.