NOTICE

Department of Human Services
Applicants, Clients and Subrecipients
of State and Federal Funding

Breastfeeding in Public Accommodations

The Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 489 Part II, Breastfeeding in Public Accommodations, states that:

It is discriminatory practice to deny, or attempt to deny, the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, and accommodations of a place of public accommodations to a woman because she is breastfeeding a child.

This statute requires posting a notice and establishes a civil fine for each violation also.

The Department of Human Services will offer a private, clean, safe accommodation to nursing mothers and their child to facilitate implementation of this statute and to protect the health and safety of its applicants and clients.

For more information see:

http://www.dol.gov/whd/nursingmothers

Guidance can be sought from:

Hawaii State Department of Human Services (DHS)
Personnel Office, Civil Rights Compliance Staff
P.O. Box 339, Honolulu, HI 96809-0339  (808) 586-4955

or from:

U. S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office on Women’s Health
200 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D. C.  20201
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