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**COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOME OPERATOR  
PLEADS GUILTY TO MEDICAID FRAUD**

HONOLULU – Donnabeth L. Taasin pleaded guilty on Thursday before circuit judge Colette Y. Garibaldi to felony theft and medical assistance fraud charges, Attorney General Doug Chin announced. Taasin allegedly billed Medicaid for services for a client who was no longer living in the community care foster family home facility Taasin operated. The investigation and charges were brought by the state Medicaid Fraud Control Unit which operates out of the state attorney general's office.

Under the terms of a plea agreement, Taasin will pay \$3,859.64 restitution, \$1,500.00 to the state crime victims compensation fund, and \$1,000.00 in investigative costs and other fees. Taasin has no prior record and cooperated with the investigation, and under the plea agreement, she may move for a deferral of her sentencing. Sentencing is scheduled for November 9, 2016.

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