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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 073 – 25

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of

Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From: Acting Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Advisory Council for the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental

Illness (PAIMI) Program

The PAIMI Program in accordance to 42 CFR Section 51.23, is in place to provide independence advice and recommendations, to work jointly with the governing authority in the development of policies and priorities as well as to contribute to the program's annual Program Progress Report by law.

Membership qualifications are determined by federal regulations, and require a mix of people who have received or are receiving mental health services or who are family members of such persons, mental health professionals, individuals from the community who are knowledgeable about mental illness and have demonstrated to improving mental health services, providers of mental health services, and attorneys.

I, therefore, appoint the following individuals to serve for four (4) years as members of the Advisory Council for the PAIMI Program. The proposed members are as follows:

NAME:	Regulatory Classification	Appointment Term
Alesana Tuala	Behavioral Health Program Manager	Expires 2025-2028
Ammon Fepuleai	AS Council on Arts, Culture & Humanities	Expires 2025-2028
Dr. Jueta McCutchan	Psychiatrist	Expires 2025-2028
Dr. Peni Biukoto	Psychiatrist	Expires 2025-2028
Eustasia V. Tunoa	Legal Guadian of Minor	Expires 2025-2028
Hillary S. Togafau Tautu	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028
Junita Poutoa	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028

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Mona Uli	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028
Patricia Masaniai	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028
Sala Pauu	Consumer	Expires 2025-2028
Satali Tominiko	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028
Trude Ledoux-Sunia	Family Member	Expires 2025-2028
Thomas Jones	Attorney	Expires 2025-2028

Please give them your full support as they carry out their responsibilities to advise and ensure the goals and priorities for the PAIMI program are achieved through protection and advocacy for individuals with disabilities.

Pulumataala Ae Ae, Jr.

cc: Honorable Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, Governor

Dora Ah Sue, OPAD Director