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Hawai'i Convention Center Launches Array of New Amenities

The enhancements kick off a year of major medical and scientific meetings, as well as sporting events

Honolulu, Hawai'i, January 15, 2019 – The Hawai'i Convention Center is expanding its client and guest services, adding a new pop-up café and bar, as well as amenities for enhanced planning and on-site convenience.

1801 Café + Bar in the Center's main lobby offers high-quality, fresh-made snacks, lunch items, beverages and local treats and gift items. For evening or other special events, a bar with signature cocktails, craft beer and wine is available. A large counter seating area offers convenience and comfort steps from the Center's ballrooms.

The Center, which won several national meetings awards in 2018, recently added numerous guest, business and planning amenities, including:

- An easily accessible **business center** on the Center's 3rd floor that offers a comprehensive selection of business services, such as a copier, fax machine, printer, computer, phone, office tools, USB charging ports and desk space, as well as scooter rentals and Hawaii-sourced snacks;
- 12 luxurious **massage chairs** to provide a moment for relaxation;
- Two secure **charging station locker bays** located at key points throughout the building, so guests never have to worry when their mobile device battery is running low;
- **Contemporary furniture** with large plush cushions, available throughout the Center to provide enhanced gathering spaces and comfort for guests in the Center's famous open-air setting;
- An [online interactive map](#) and **3D floor plans** that allow planners and guests to view and tour Center services and spaces at their convenience;
- Complementary light-use **Wi-Fi** in all public spaces throughout the Center;
- A [floral arrangement and plant rental program](#), featuring a variety of tropical flowers, greenery and vases;
- Eye-catching **digital signage** in high-traffic locations for easy exhibit or event promotion;
- The [Ho'omalūō conservation program](#), which offers community involvement opportunities and a variety of efforts tailored to making each event more responsible, efficient and sustainable.

This spring, the Center will also add a specially designed Mamava nursing pod to provide a secure, comfortable and private lactation space for mothers.

"The Hawai'i Convention Center is always evaluating ways that we can improve the conference experience for our guests, providing them with increased visibility, accessibility and functional ways to use our versatile spaces," said Teri Orton, general manager, Hawai'i Convention Center, managed by AEG Facilities. "In 2019, we will be hosting a variety of world-class meetings and sporting events, enhancing international attendance through our central geographic location."

The Center is preparing for a year of medical and scientific events, drawing renowned researchers, presentations and exhibitors:

- In February, the American Stroke Association's [International Stroke Conference](#), the world's premier meeting dedicated to the science and treatment of cerebrovascular disease;

- In March, the Society of Gynecologic Oncology's [50th Annual Meeting on Women's Cancer](#), bringing together the best in women's cancer care;
- In April, the [16th International Hawaii Summit](#) on Preventing, Assessing & Treating Trauma Across the Lifespan, hosted by the Institute on Violence, Abuse and Trauma;
- In May, the American Roentgen Ray Society's [annual meeting](#), including instructional courses, scientific paper presentations, and scientific exhibits on radiology;
- In May, the [Health Span Hawaii Summit 2019](#), discussing advancements in the field of regenerative medicine;
- In July, the National Medical Association [2019 Annual Convention & Scientific Assembly](#), a leading gathering to advance parity in medicine, the elimination of health disparities and the promotion of optimal health;
- In July, the [15th International Congress of Toxicology](#), discussing toxicology solutions for global public, environmental and personal health;
- In September, [OceanObs'19](#), an international meeting to develop strategies for a sustained, multidisciplinary and integrated ocean observing system, and better connect user communities and observers.

In addition, the Center's [versatile athletic courts](#) are drawing international and regional sporting events in 2019, including the AAU Trans Pacific Volleyball Championships and the AAU Volleyball Hawai'i Grand Prix this winter, the Varsity Spirit Championships and the Jump Dance Convention in the spring, the Aloha Region Summer Volleyball Classic and Pacific Rim Basketball Championships this summer, and the Pacific Rim Futsal Cup near the end of the year.

The Hawai'i Convention Center received several [major awards](#) in 2018, including the Readers' Choice Award from SportsEvents magazine, the Platinum Choice award from Smart Meetings magazine, the Prime Site Award from Facilities & Destinations magazine, and the Hawai'i Green Business Program Award commendation from the State of Hawai'i. The Center was also among fewer than 300 organizations from around the world to receive a 2018 Stella Award from Northstar Meetings Group, recognizing consistent quality, service and innovation to meeting and event professionals.

About the Hawai'i Convention Center

"Where Business and Aloha Meet," the 1.1 million-square-foot Hawai'i Convention Center provides a spacious, modern and flexible meeting space in the heart of Honolulu – all with an award-winning team and renowned aloha spirit. Conveniently located between East and West, the Center is a global leader for a diverse array of meetings and events, just steps from 30,000 hotel rooms in iconic Waikiki. The Center is a state-owned facility opened in 1998, and is managed by AEG Facilities. For more, visit [HawaiiConvention.com](#).

About AEG Facilities

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