

Project Authorization

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Project Number

Project Title

ASHNHA - Alaska Health Care Reform Initiative

October 14, 2010 to September 30, 2012

Program Manager Nancy Merriman

Performance Period

Federal Co-Chair Joel Neimeyer

Commission Amount

\$75,000.00

Certifying Official Jennifer Price

Match Source(s)

ASHNHA

Match Amount

Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Grant/Award, this Authorization:

Approves up to \$75,000 to be allotted to the Alaska Health Care Reform Initiative.

The Alaska Health Care Reform Initiative is a project that convenes several partner organizations committed to uncovering the Alaska-specific implications of the recently passed Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA). The Alaska State Hospital and Nursing Home Association (ASHNHA) is the lead organization in this coalition, and will manage the fiscal and managerial responsibilities of this project.

The project scope includes efforts to:

- Assess the ACA legislation, existing impact studies, health care providers (both private and public) and other sources to ascertain potential impacts on Alaskans known at this time
- Assess the policies already implemented as a result of ACA and a listing and time line (where possible) of remaining policy development, execution and promulgation
- Identify stakeholder groups and corresponding policy/regulation impacts
- Identify the economic impacts of the various policies on stakeholders
- Identify potential Alaska-specific policy and/or legislative changes that could maximize the benefits of PPACA for Alaska, while minimizing implementation detriments
- Develop a blueprint for Alaska's implementation with respect to regulations, time lines and responsible/interested parties
- Analyze other states that have developed state-specific efforts and integrate lessons learned
- Develop a communications plan
- Implement and manage the communication and information dissemination plan

The Commission recognizes that certain portions of the scope of this project will be conducted by staff of ASHNHA and some will be done through contracted services.

No cost share match is required on this project.

Milestones for this project are In Progress October 14, 2010 through September 30, 2012; and Project Close-Out October 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.