

Memorandum of Agreement

Between

State of Alaska, Department Of Health &

The Tanana Chiefs Conference

The purpose of this agreement is to 1) avoid duplication of benefits and 2) promote comparable benefit payments between the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Programs (LIHEAP) administered by the State of Alaska, Department of Health (DOH), and by the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC), an Indian tribe or tribal organization, under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 (Title XXVI of Public Law 97-35, as amended).

TCC received 9.5549% of the LIHEAP block grant funding based upon their service territory as defined in the previous agreement. This is an amendment to the previously established agreement between the State of Alaska's Department of Health & Social Services and TCC. This amendment changes the LIHEAP percentage for TCC from 9.5549% to 11.19%.

The parties agree as follows:

1. DOH will serve the non-Native population residing in and around: Anderson, College, Clear, Delta Junction, Ester, Fairbanks, Fox, Harding Lake, Healy, Moose Creek, North Pole, Pleasant Valley, Salcha, Tok and Two Rivers.
2. TCC will serve the Native population residing in and around: Anderson, College, Clear, Delta Junction, Ester, Fairbanks, Fox, Harding Lake, Healy, Moose Creek, North Pole, Pleasant Valley, Salcha, Tok and Two Rivers.
3. TCC will serve the Native and non-Native population in: Alatna, Allakaket, Anvik, Arctic Village, Beaver, Bettles, Birch Creek, Central, Chalkyitsik, Chicken, Circle, Circle Hot Springs, Cold Foot, Dot Lake, Eagle, Evansville, Fort Yukon, Galena, Grayling, Healy Lake, Holy Cross, Hughes, Huslia, Kaltag, Koyukuk, Lake Minchumina, McGrath, Manley Hot Springs, Minto, Nenana, Nikolai, Northway, Nulato, Rampart, Ruby, Shageluk, Stevens Village, Takotna, Tanacross, Tanana, Telida, Tetlin, Venetie, Wiseman.
4. As a condition of receipt of these funds, TCC will not refer any of their eligible households to the DOH for service. This includes any unserved

households remaining after their LIHEAP funds have been expended, unless the parties have agreed to waive this condition.

5. DOH and TCC will cooperate in the development of the LIHEAP plans with the goal of establishing similar eligibility criteria and comparable benefits levels to the extent practicable. The funds received are distributed through TCC's 477 plan and are not limited but remain flexible as the plan is designed.
6. DOH and TCC will insure that applications for LIHEAP are promptly forwarded to the appropriate responsible service agency.
7. To avoid duplication of assistance payments, DOH and TCC will exchange names, addresses, and social security numbers of applicant households containing Native and non-Native adult members when these households apply in a community in which DOH and TCC are both operating the program. In the case of a household containing Native and non-Native adult members, the applicants may choose either to apply with DOH or TCC.

TCC's service area represents 11.19% of Alaska's total LIHEAP Block Grant. This percentage is effective beginning with FY 2025 grants.

This agreement may be amended with mutual agreement of both parties and will remain in effect until amended or revoked.



Signature of State LIHEAP Coordinator
Title: Public Assistance Programs Officer

8/30/24

Date

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MICOLE DAVIDGE

Signature of Tribal Chairperson
Title

8/30/2024

Date