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Rural substance abuse prevention grant amount revised to $10.7 million

Five-year grant will build regional teams around the state

(Anchorage, AK) — The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) clarified that the five-year grant it awarded to Alaska’s Division of Behavioral Health, Department of Health and Social Services would be for $10.67 million instead of the $11.5 million originally announced. The grant targets rural Alaska’s ability to promote communities’ behavioral health – a term that includes both mental health and substance abuse prevention.

The Behavioral Health Division and its partners will develop more than a dozen regional training and support teams to serve the 200-plus villages and communities in remote Alaska.

The grant is through SAMHSA’s Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant program.

For the original press release, see http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dbh/.

For details on SAMHSA’s Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant program, see: http://prevention.samhsa.gov/grants/sig.aspx

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