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## **Public comment sought on Health Care Commission's draft strategic plan**

*Monday's hearing allows Alaskans to contribute to the state's long-term approach to health care*

(Anchorage, AK) — A public hearing about the Alaska Health Care Commission's recently released strategic plan will take place Monday, Dec. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Alaska Legislative Information offices statewide. Residents can also participate via teleconference.

The commission's first draft of the report touches on everything from workforce development to the role of the consumer in health care. The recommendations focus on reducing costs and increasing accessibility to health care for all Alaskans.

The document is posted online <http://hss.state.ak.us/healthcommission/>. For a paper copy, call Health and Social Services at (907) 269-7800 or send a request to 3601 C St., Suite 902, Anchorage, AK 99503-5923.

### **Public Hearing to Receive Oral Comments:**

- Monday, Dec. 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Alaska Legislative Information Offices statewide;
- To find the Legislative Information Office near you, go to <http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/misc/lios.php>;
- To participate via teleconference, call 1-(888) 295-4546 during the time period of the hearing.

### **Written Comment Period:**

Submit written comments about the report to the following address by Dec. 28:

Deborah Erickson, executive director  
Alaska Health Care Commission  
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