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## **Clitheroe detoxification program open again in Anchorage**

*State Division of Behavioral Health and Salvation Army reopen program*

(Anchorage, AK) — The Salvation Army reopened its Clitheroe Center Specialized Treatment Unit Tuesday after working with the state Division of Behavioral Health to verify that staffing and procedural requirements were in place. The program offers six detoxification beds and four specialized substance abuse treatment beds. Clitheroe's residential and outpatient substance abuse treatment programs are separate and were not affected by the closure.

"We're very happy to see this program open again," said Stacy Toner, deputy director for the state Division of Behavioral Health. "Providing detoxification services is a difficult job, and one that is a crucial part of responding to alcohol and substance addiction in Alaska."

The Center closed in May for health and safety considerations. Clitheroe has since worked closely with the Division of Behavioral Health to revise program standards and meet staffing requirements.

"The Specialized Treatment Unit is a critical part of our community's safety net of services," said Major Doug Tollerud, Divisional Commander for The Salvation Army. "I have every confidence that the program will operate under the highest standard of care as we work to provide opportunities to men and women whose lives have been devastated by alcoholism."

For statistics on alcohol and substance abuse, see the "Substance Abuse" category of the Department's "Alaska Scorecard," developed in cooperation with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dhcs/healthplanning/scorecard/assets/scorecard.pdf>

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