Alaska's SHARP Program

Providing Support-for-Service to Healthcare Clinicians Statewide

Inpatient Settings Eligible for SHARP-1 Clinicians: Tribal and I.H.S. Operated Hospitals And Critical Access Hospitals in HPSAs

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The National Health Service Corp (NHSC), and thus its subsidiary State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP), are largely focused on providing support-for-service to primary care clinicians. The vast majority of these providers have been located in outpatient generalist clinical positions. That emphasis continues to present. However, in recent years the NHSC has clarified its intent to bolstered care provided in selected inpatient settings as well. There are eight Alaskan inpatient facilities that the NHSC are now identified as eligible-to-apply for SHARP-1. Those eight are divided across two facility-categories, which are presented below.

Critical Access Hospitals in HPSAs

Five critical access hospitals (CAHs) are operated by tribal health organizations (THOs) in Alaska. All have an automatic HPSA designation. NHSC has clarified that all five are eligible to have NHSC and SLRP (and thus SHARP-1) providers serve as inpatient practitioners. There is only one CAH that is (a) located in a geographic Health Profession Shortage Area (HPSA), and that is not operated by the tribal health entity. NHSC has clarified that Cordova Community Medical Center is eligible to have NHSC and SLRP providers serve as inpatient practitioners.

General Hospitals Operated by Tribal Health Entities

There are two general hospitals in Alaska that are operated by tribal health organizations (THOs), but that are not CAHs. Because they are run by trial entities, they have automatic HPSA designations. NHSC has clarified that both of those are eligible to have NHSC and SLRP (and therefore SHARP-1) providers serve as inpatient practitioners.

Total List SHARP-1 Eligible In-Patient Settings: Tribal & I.H.S. Hospitals, and, CAHs in HPSAs

Name	Eligible	HPSA	Tribal	CAH	City	Region
Kanakanak Hospital	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dillingham	Southwest
Maniilaq Health Center	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Kotzebue	Northern
Mount Edgecumbe Hospital	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sitka	Southeast
Norton Sound Regional Hospital	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Nome	Northern
Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Barrow	Northern
Alaska Native Medical Center	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Anchorage	Anchorage
Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Bethel	Southwest
Cordova Community Medical Center	Yes	Yes	No	No	Cordova	Gulf Coast