

APPENDIX F: YEAR 2000 HEALTH OBJECTIVES

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services published *HealthyPeople2000:NationalHealthPromotion and Disease Prevention Objectives*¹ to comprehensively address health promotion and disease prevention opportunities in order to allow local communities and states to choose from among its recommendations in addressing their own highest priority needs. The table below provides a brief comparison of some of these objectives compared with Alaska vital statistics from

1998 through 2000. Note that in 1999 and 2000, causes of death were classified using ICD-10, while deaths during 1998 were classified using ICD-9. Thus the death rates in 1998 are not directly comparable to the death rates in 1999 and 2000. Similarly, the death rates in 1999 and 2000 are not directly comparable to the Year 2000 Health Objectives, since the Health Objectives were developed using ICD-9 and causes of death in 1999 and 2000 were classified using ICD-10.

HEALTH INDICATOR	ALASKA STATISTICS			YEAR 2000 OBJECTIVE
	1998	1999	2000	
Malignant Neoplasm (Cancer) Death Rate²	120.5	110.8	120.6	130
Accident and Adverse Effects Death Rate²	45.1	50.0	53.8	29.3
Intentional Self-Harm (Suicide) Death Rate²	23.7	15.9	22.4	10.5
Cerebrovascular Disease Death Rate²	26.6	29.6	25.8	20.0
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Death Rate²	21.5	25.9	22.8	25.0
Diabetes Mellitus Death Rate²	12.4	11.5	14.6	34.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis Death Rate²	8.2	6.8	7.2	6.0
Infant Mortality Rate³	7.0	6.5	6.1	7.0
Neonatal Infant Mortality Rate³	3.5	3.1	3.1	4.5
Postneonatal Infant Mortality Rate³	3.6	3.4	3.0	2.5
Low Birth Weight (<2500 grams) Percent	5.9%	5.7%	5.6%	5.00%
Very Low Birth Weight (<1500) Percent	1.2%	1.0%	0.8%	<1%
Mothers Abstaining from Tobacco Use During Pregnancy	81.7%	82.2%	81.4%	90%
Alaska Mothers Receiving Prenatal Care During the First Trimester	80.5%	78.4%	78.1%	90%
White Mothers Receiving Prenatal Care During the First Trimester	82.8%	81.4%	82.9%	90%
Native Mothers Receiving Prenatal Care During the First Trimester	74.9%	71.4%	68.7%	90%

¹Public Health Service, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Healthy People 2000: National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives*, DHHS Pub.No. PHS 91-50212. Washington, D.C.

²Rate per 100,000 U.S. 1940 standard million population.

³Infant mortality rates are three-year averages.