

Vision

A Native Community that enjoys physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness.

Mission

Working together with the Native Community to achieve wellness through health and related services.

Customer-Owners

Serving over 65,000 Alaska Native and American Indian People

Communities Served

Anchorage Service Unit and 55 Tribes to Include: Anchorage Matanuska-Chickaloon Susitna Borough Eklutna McGrath Igiugig Newhalen Iliamna Ninilchik Kenaitze Seldovia Knik St. Paul Island Kokhanok Tyonek

Services Offered

Over 90 Community-Based
Programs Including:
Medical
Behavioral
Dental
Co-Own and Co-Manage the

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January 18, 2022

Courtney O'Byrne King Alaska Department of Health and Social Services 3601 C Street, Suite 902 Anchorage, AK 99503

RE: State Plan Amendment on Reimbursement Rates for Inpatient Psychiatric Services for Individuals under 21 years of age

Dear Ms. King,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide Tribal consultation comments on the proposed state plan amendment related to rates for inpatient treatment for those under the age of 21. The proposed increases in payment rates will help incentivize the build-out of services for adolescent populations and better serve Alaskans seeking behavioral health treatment. Southcentral Foundation does not have any concerns with the proposed state plan amendment.

Thank you again for this opportunity. If you have any questions, please reach out to Michelle Baker, acting vice president of SCF's Behavioral Services Division, at mbaker@southcentralfoundation.com.

Sincerely,

SOUTHCENTRAL FOUNDATION

April Kyle, MBA
President and CEO