

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium****Federal Tax ID: 92-0056274****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium - Southeast Pediatric Dental Clinic Expansion Project

State Funding Requested: \$1,000,000
One-Time Need**House District: Southeast Region (31-34)****Brief Project Description:**

This project seeks funds to expand the SEARHC Pediatric Dental Clinic to better serve the children in Southeast Alaska with a larger and dedicated space on the lower level of the current dental building on the Juneau Campus.
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Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$1,342,360
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2015 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$1,000,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$342,360

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

SEARHC is requesting \$1,300,000 to expand its Pediatric Dental Clinic to better serve the dental needs of the children living in Southeast Alaska.

The SEARHC Dental Clinic in Juneau offers the only full time pediatric dental specialist in Southeast Alaska. The SEARHC Pediatric Dental Program serves all children that are enrolled in Denali Kid Care (State Medicaid), both Native and non-Native. Since FY06 SEARHC's Juneau dental clinic has experienced substantial growth in overall patient visits, but most especially in pediatric dental visits. The clinic has accommodated the increased demand for services by increasing clinic hours and staggering work schedules. While demand and need for dental services continues to grow, the SEARHC dental clinic in Juneau has reached service capacity, particularly for pediatric patients. Funds requested will support SEARHC's plan to expand the Pediatric Dental Program on the Juneau campus to accommodate a larger and dedicated space on the lower level of the current dental building.

SEARHC will create a designated child-friendly space on the first floor of the dental building located on Hospital Drive on the Juneau campus. This new pediatric wing will share the first floor with SEARHC's Women, Infant and Children (WIC) program and Health Promotion staff involved in distributing car seats, bike helmets and providing activities that encourage active and healthy lifestyles. Renovation of part of the first floor to house the Pediatric Dental Program would essentially make the first floor a designated "children's center."

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full-time Pediatric Dentist to the staff.

Southeast Alaska Pediatric Dental

Clinic Patient Visits

FY071,656

FY082,172

FY092,356

FY103,200

FY113,387

FY123,642

Currently, the Pediatric Dental Program utilizes two dental stations with one Pediatric Dentist, one Dental Hygienist, and one Dental Health Aide sharing a station. The expansion will provide space for four additional dental stations allowing SEARHC to hire or contract for a second Pediatric Dentist, and will include two dental stations for an orthodontist, and capacity for additional services provided by Dental Health Aides and Hygienists. Expansion will enable SEARHC to schedule nearly double the number of pediatric visits annually while drastically reducing the wait time for new appointments which is between 5-6 weeks.

At SEARHC, pediatric dental patients are split evenly, Native and non-Native, with approximately 95% eligible and enrolled in Denali Kid Care. The result is that SEARHC receives payment for nearly 100% of the pediatric patients that receive services. The same is not true for adult dental services where almost 80% of patients are uninsured, and 98% of the adults are Native beneficiaries with the cost of care being covered by Indian Health Services.

The expansion of the Pediatric Dental Clinic by relocating it from the second floor to the first floor of the dental building will allow additional space to be allocated on the second floor for adult dental services. SEARHC plans to increase the number of work stations for general dentistry, residents, Dental Health Aids and Hygienists. This will reduce the appointment wait time for adult patients. Additionally, more space on the second floor will allow for specialty services such as endodontic, periodontists and oral surgeries.

Cost Estimate

A draft preliminary Business Plan was completed in 2011 and the cost estimates were updated in late 2013.

Planning and design	\$70,000
Renovation	\$360,000
Furnishing and equipment	\$450,000
Project administration @ 3%	\$26,400
Contingency @ 15%	\$135,960
Code deficiencies from deep look survey	\$300,000
Total Project Estimate	\$1,342,360

Project Timeline:

Project timeline

Once funding is secured, it is anticipated the project will begin and take approximately 9-12 months to complete. It is hoped that the work can be done during the summer and fall of 2014.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No



Pediatric Dental Program – Expansion

FY 2014 Legislative Allocation Request

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