

Denali Commission Grants for Non-Primary Care Facility Improvements **FY2005 Request: \$10,000,000**
Reference No: 38923

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Equipment
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Statewide **Contact:** Larry Streuber
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2009

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This request will provide funding for rural hospitals, behavioral health facilities and assisted living homes for planning, design, medical equipment, and construction. This request consists of federal funds that are granted to the Department of Health and Social Services from the Denali Commission.

Funding:	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>Total</u>
Fed Rcpts	\$10,000,000						\$10,000,000
Total:	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	138,779	2
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	138,779	2

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

RPL 06-4-0059 –\$3,650.0 Federal

Project Description/Justification:

This request will provide funding for design, construction and equipment grants in the areas of behavioral health, rural hospitals that support rural primary care services, regional and sub-regional community health centers, rural primary care facilities, assisted living homes throughout the State, and other related health facilities. The purpose of these funds is to assist providers in maximizing the capacity of the services they provide through renovation, rehabilitation, new construction and equipment purchases.

In many respects, low-volume, small rural hospitals operate like large clinics. They provide mostly primary care and emergency room services. All hospitals and long-term care facilities have continuing capital needs for modernizing and replacing their facilities and acquiring, upgrading or replacing medical equipment necessary to meet the modern standards of medical care delivery. Failure to invest the funds to meet this need will eventually have financial consequences for hospitals.

Funds will be awarded through a competitive basis statewide. These federal funds are Health Resources and Care Administration (HRCA) funds that are appropriated to the Denali Commission and would be granted to the Department of Health and social Services. The Department intends to use up 2% of this request to cover administrative costs associated with the administration of these funds.

Department's Mission: *To promote and protect the health and well being of Alaskans.* This project supports the Department's mission by providing equipment and construction funds for assisted living homes and hospitals that will allow these facilities to continue to provide programs and services that meet the needs of Alaskans.