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Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 10:53 AM
To: Jeff Stepp <Jeff.Stepp@akleg.gov>
Subject: FW: HB 118 Committee Follow-Up

Hi Jeff,

Below is follow up information provided by Kelly Goode. Please share with the committee.

Thanks!

Lindsay

From: Goode, Kelly C (DOC) <kelly.goode@alaska.gov>
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Hi Lindsay,

Rep Vance and Claman asked for some clarification on how the computer/tablets could be used for health care.

Here is a response from Laura Brooke, Division Operations Manager of the Health & Rehabilitative Division you can share with the committee:

DOC currently has telehealth services through videoconferencing (ie. telepsychiatry, sex offender treatment) and by electronic records review by specialists (ie. Xrays or ultrasounds from remote locations reviewed by specialists in Anchorage). There may come a time when some outside specialty visits are done via telehealth but that would be under the supervision of our medical staff inside our medical clinics.

We do not anticipate inmates having access to outside providers through telehealth via the computer/tablet. With tablet access, however, inmates may be able to put in requests to be seen by medical, have access to health education, self-help mental health resources, and even be able to view their own medical records.

Hope this helps.

--Kelly



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