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IAA's Mission

Reduce the spread of HIV

Improve the quality of life for people living with or affected by HIV/AIDS

This Mission is achieved through *HIV Prevention*

- Linkage to HIV care
- HIV Testing
- Medication-assisted treatment of opioid addiction
- Syringe Exchange

Support for Individuals Living with HIV/AIDS

- Comprehensive Case Management
- Financial Assistance

HIV Care Services

Comprehensive Case Management

- Assessment
- Resource Identification
- Advocacy
- Care Planning
- Referral

Financial Assistance to purchase:

- Medication
- Medical Care
- Housing
- Food
- Transportation
- Dental Care
- Mental Health Services
- Substance Abuse Treatment

HIV Prevention

HIV testing and condom distribution is funded <u>entirely by a grant from CDC</u> that passes through the Division of Public Health, Section of Epidemiology.

FY 14: \$83,903 federal funds

<u>Syringe exchange</u> is funded by a grant from a private national foundation and donations.

FY 14: Cost is about \$10,000 per year. NO state funds or federal funds.

So far, no state funds...

<u>HIV Care</u>: Ryan White Care Act, Part B funds pay for case management and medical services for people living with HIV.

FY 14 \$74,000: Federal funds passed through as a grant from the Division of Public Health, Section of Epidemiology.

Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) Grant to the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation with IAA and the Alaskan AIDS Assistance Association as sub-grantees.

Over the three-year grant period (1/2012-12/2014), IAA receives \$492,986 in federal HUD funds and <u>\$190,000 from AHFC</u> to provide Housing and support Services to income-eligible people living with HIV/AIDS.

State investment of \$63,333 per year so far and we have provided care and housing to 40 people living with HIV, tested 400 for HIV and 100 for Hepatitis C. We have given out 12,000 condoms and 6,000 testing referral cards.

People with HIV who are receiving appropriate medical care and medication are <u>96%</u> less likely to transmit the virus to someone else. Treatment is prevention.

IAA Revenue Sources FY 14



34%

The Behavioral Health Connection

All of what IAA does is "behavioral health." Our goal is to change behaviors that lead to HIV infection.

Project Special Delivery is a medication-assisted addiction treatment program. We receive grant funding from the Division of Behavioral Health to operate an Opioid Treatment Program. Over the 12 years that we have applied for and received grant funds, the mix of state and federal funds (SAMHSA Block Grant) has varied. In FY 14, \$221,998 is from state general funds.

What is "Treatment"

- The program physician prescribes methadone.
- A licensed nurse dispenses methadone.
- Certified Substance Abuse Counselors provide:
 - Individual Counseling
 - Group Counseling
 - Education
 - Case Management
 - Family Counseling
 - Family Support Activities

Medication-assisted treatment for opioid addiction is an evidencebased best practice that has been exhaustively researched for almost 50 years.

Why should you care?

- National research shows that the state will save at least \$4 for every dollar we spend on methadone treatment.
- The state of Alaska invests about \$6,000 for a year of treatment at IAA.
- Incarceration costs 4 times that amount.
- Prescription drug abuse is epidemic; people in OTP's don't abuse prescription drugs.

People

- 88% live in single-family residence (not with family/friends or shelter): 88%
- Of these, 42% are homeowners.
- 66% of our patients are not receiving government assistance (food stamps, Medicaid, etc.).
- 63% work outside the home.
- 55% of our consumers have minor children and all of them have full or shared custody of their children (none in state custody/foster-care).
- Last quarter, 98% of consumers showed no illicit drug use after 3 months in treatment.
- 17 people have full- or part-time employment at IAA; 14 of us work with the OTP in some capacity.

Local Economics

- Most of the money that IAA brings in through grants, fees and donations is spent locally.
- Most of the money for the OTP, Project Special Delivery is spent on personnel.
- Most of us spend our money locally.

• What goes around, comes around.