



April 29, 2025

Senator Cathy Giessel  
State Capitol Room 121  
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: ANTHC Support of SB 147

Senator Giessel,

On behalf of the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC), I write in support of Senate Bill (SB) 147.

The ANTHC is a statewide Tribal health organization serving all 229 tribes and all Alaska Native and American Indian (AN/AI) people in Alaska. ANTHC provides a wide range of statewide public health, community health, environmental health, and other programs and services for Alaska Native people and their communities. ANTHC and Southcentral Foundation operate programs at the Alaska Native Medical Center, the statewide tertiary care hospital for all AN/AI people in Alaska, under the terms of Public Law 105-83.

SB 147 authorizes pharmacists to provide patient care services within the scope of their training and experience, aligning Alaska statute with federal law and Alaska Board of Pharmacy current regulation of the practice. ANTHC supports this legislation in order to increase patient access to care and build capacity within Alaska's health care system.

On behalf of ANTHC, I appreciate you bringing this legislation forward. SB 147 takes the necessary steps to maximize our existing healthcare workforce and to meet the needs of Alaskans by increasing their access to care.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Monique R. Martin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Monique R. Martin, Vice President  
Intergovernmental Affairs