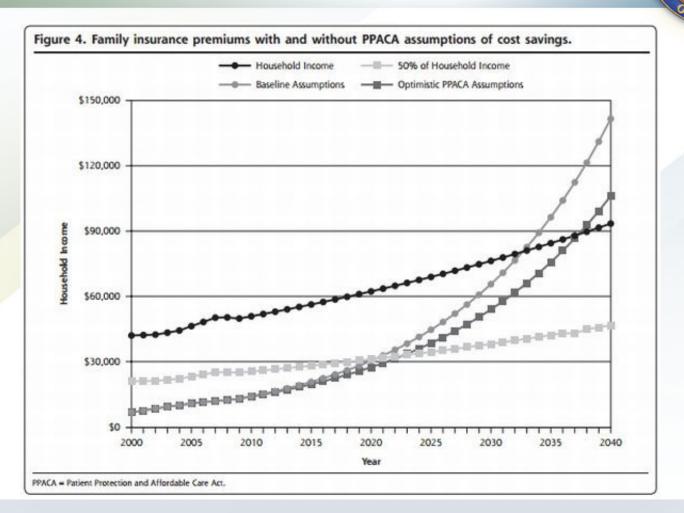
# Health Care and Fiscal Sustainability

### Commissioner Becky Hultberg Commissioner Bill Streur

# "By 2037, health insurance will swallow your entire paycheck"



### Why are we here?

### The State of Alaska is a significant health care consumer.

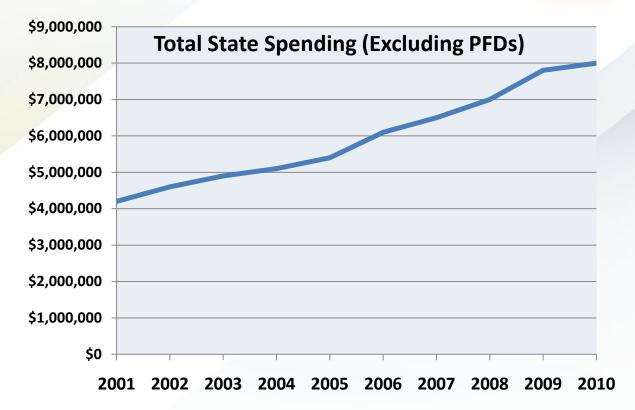
Active plan	<b>16,346 members</b> (includes dependents)	<b>\$83.4 million</b> total spend in FY11
Retiree plan	<b>63,034 members</b> (includes dependents) 40% live outside Alaska	<b>\$413.5 million</b> total spend in FY11
Medicaid	<b>135,246 Alaskans</b> <b>covered (2010)</b> 65% children, 28% adults, 7% elderly	<b>\$1.2 billion</b> total spend in 2010

The state also spends money on health care for inmates, state employees who are members of union health trusts and for state workers' compensation claims.

### State budget: 2001 - 2010

Total state spending (operating and capital, PFD excluded) has doubled from \$4 billion to \$8 billion in 10 years.

Spending per capita has increased from \$6,639/person in 2001 to \$11,234/person in 2010.



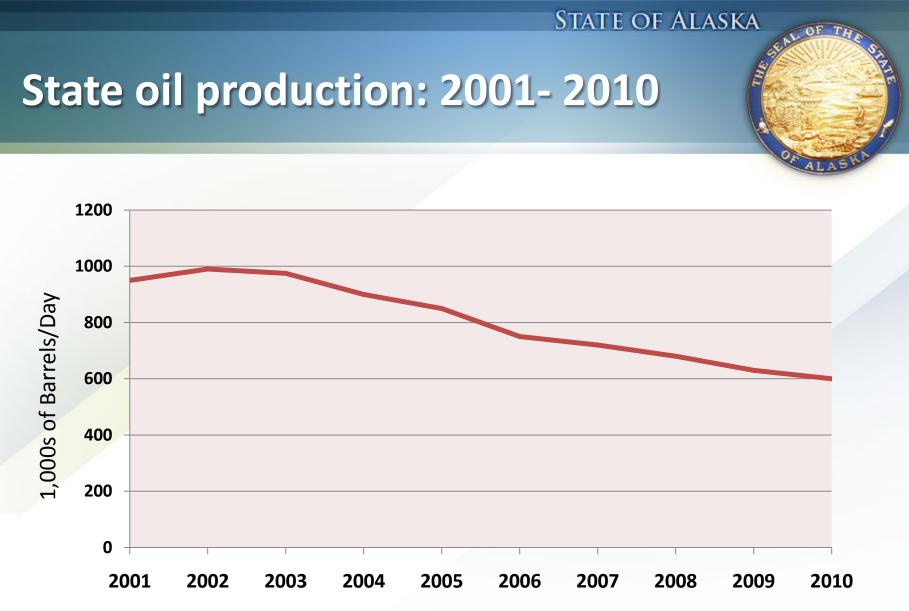
The rate of spending growth over the last decade averaged **7.5% per year**, but inflation (Anchorage CPI) over the last decade averaged only **2.6% per year**.

### **State revenue**

### **TAPS subsidizes much of modern life in Alaska**

- Schools about 66% of K-12 spending
- State about 90% of state general purpose unrestricted revenue
- PFDs over \$900 million in payouts each year
- State capital projects





Oil production has steadily declined by just over 5% per year.

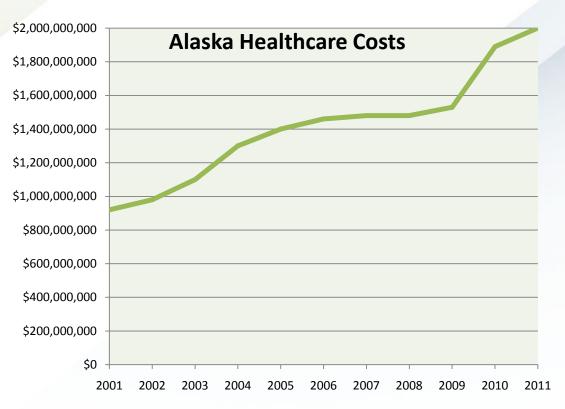
State Health Care Spend: 2001-2011

Medicaid, AlaskaCare active, AlaskaCare PERS/TRS, State Workers Compensation, Department of Corrections, union trusts

### 2001: \$886 million 2011: \$2 billion

This includes the federal portion of Medicaid.

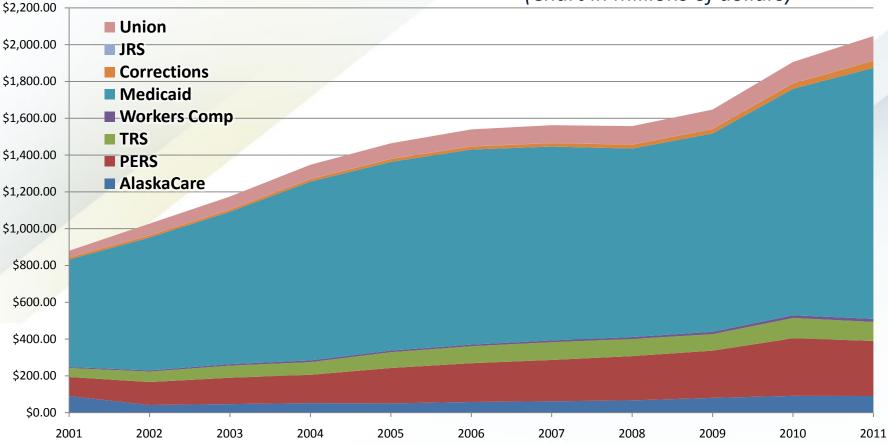
State health care costs grew at an average of 9%/year during FY01-FY10. 2011 showed improvement and the 10 year mean decreased to 7.9%.



### State health care spend

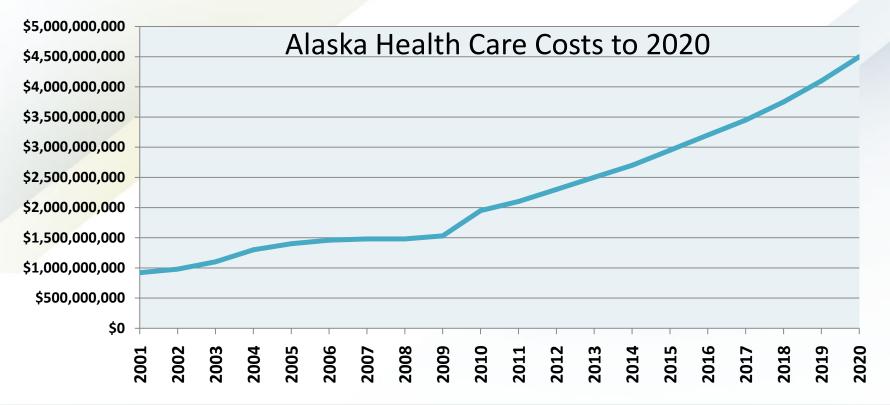
(Chart in millions of dollars)

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### Where does our current path lead?

If state paid health costs continue to increase at 8.95% per year, in FY 2020 they will exceed **\$4 billion** (before Medicaid reimbursement).

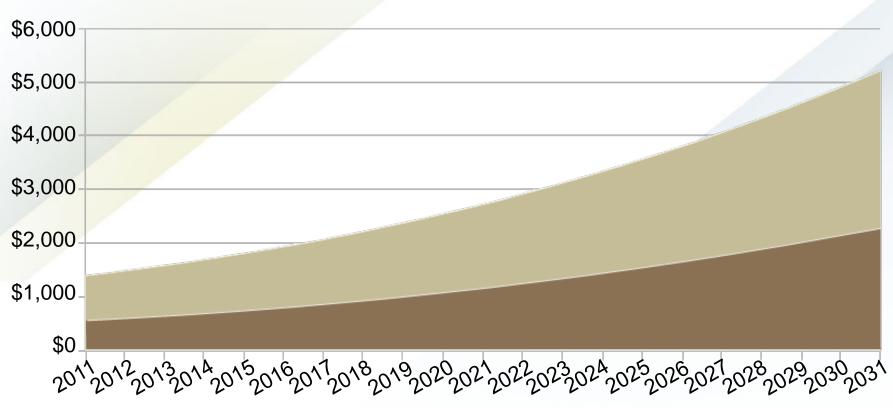


## **Challenge: Medicaid**



### **Projected Medicaid Cost Growth**

Millions



### AK DHSS 10-Year plan operating budget

### FY2013: \$2.6 Billion Projected: FY2022 \$6.6 Billion

#### Unknowns

Cost impact of the federal health care initiative

Millions

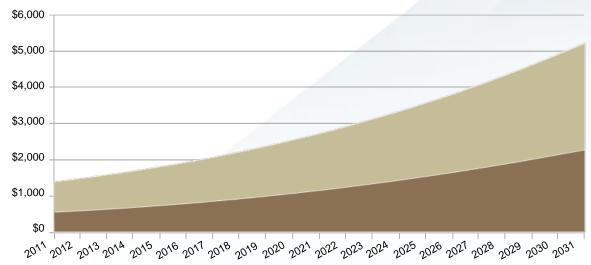
- Tighter federal and state budgets
- Broad economic problems e.g. financial markets, energy costs, mortgage defaults, medical inflation

#### Medicaid

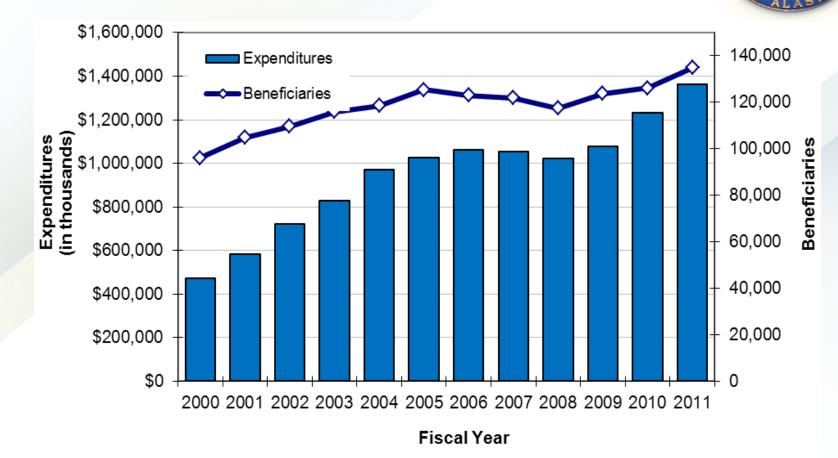
- Population
- Medical inflation

#### **Public Assistance**

- Inflation
- Population growth in population 20-34 years
- Population growth 65+ years of age –
- Adult Public Assistance



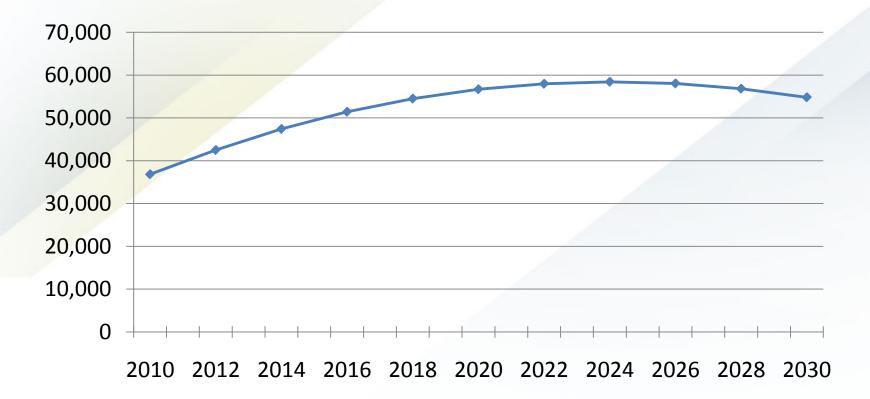
### Medicaid direct services Beneficiaries and expenditures



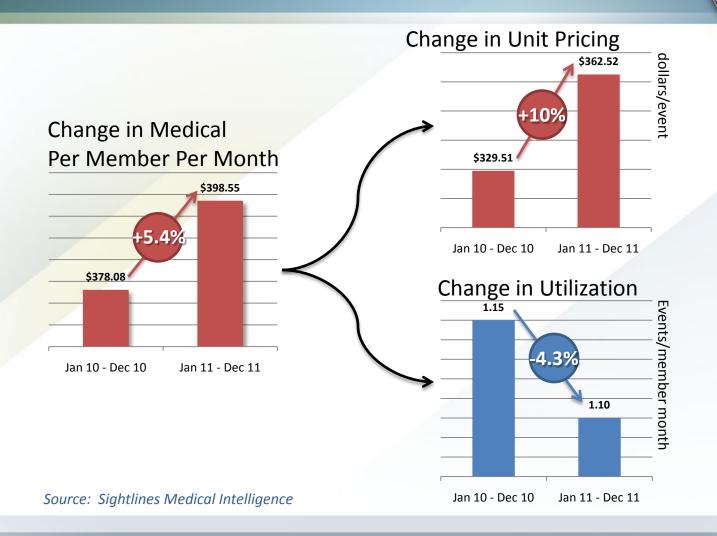
Source: Expenditures are from AKSAS. Beneficiaries are from MMIS-JUCE data.

## **Challenge: PERS/TRS**

### **Projected Retirement System Growth**



### **Retiree medical expense growth**



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## **Controlled growth in Medicaid**

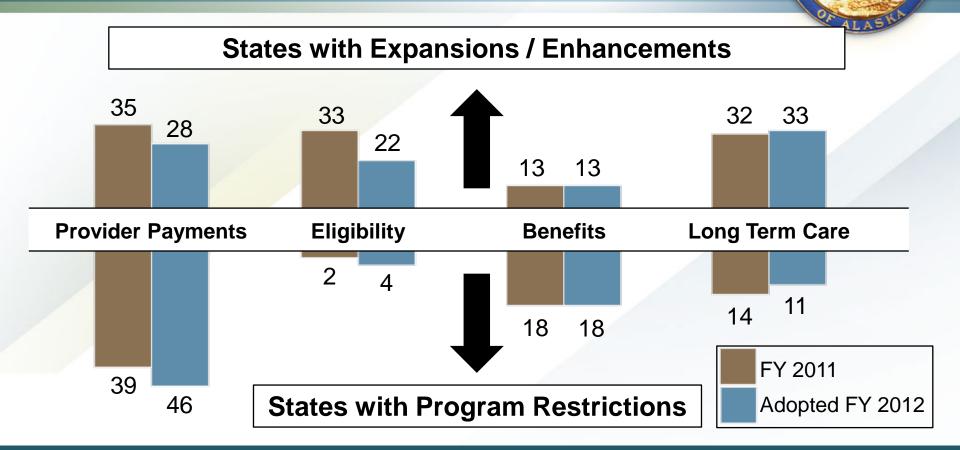
### Under the current system, the options are limited.

• Eligibility	<ul> <li>Compliance/Anti-Fraud</li> </ul>
Covered Services	<ul> <li>Innovations in Service Delivery</li> </ul>
Rates	<ul> <li>Technology</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Utilization Controls</li> </ul>	Maximize Revenue

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State policy actions implemented in FY 2011 and adopted for FY 2012



NOTE: Past survey results indicate not all adopted actions are implemented. Provider payment restrictions include rate cuts for any provider or freezes for nursing facilities or hospitals. SOURCE: KCMU survey of Medicaid officials in 50 states and DC conducted by Health Management Associates, September 2011.

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## **Medicaid services**



## Mandatory

- Inpatient hospital
- Outpatient hospital
- Physicians
- Nurse midwives
- Lab and X-ray
- Advanced Nurse Practitioners
- Early Periodic
   Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment
- Family planning services
- Pregnancy-related services
- Nursing facility (NF) services
- Home Health (NF qualified)
- Medical/surgical dental services

## Optional

- MH Rehab/Stabilization
- Diagnostic/Screening/Preventive
- Therapies (OP, PT, SLP)
- Inpatient psychiatry <21 years
- Drugs
- Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled
- Personal care
- Dental
- Other home health
- Other licensed practitioners
- Transportation
- Targeted Case Management

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## **Controlled growth in AlaskaCare**

Options	AlaskaCare retiree plan	AlaskaCare active plan	Union trusts	Political subdivisions
Covered Services	Yes*	Yes	No	No
Utilization controls	Yes*	Yes	No	No
Premiums	Yes*	Yes	Yes*	No
Innovations in Service Delivery	Yes*	Yes	No	No
Eligibility	No	No	No	No
Wellness	Yes*	Yes	No	No

### **Payment comparisons**



	Payment Levels Office Visit (99215)	Obstetrical Care (59400)
Alaska Medicaid	\$221.58	\$2821.81
Alaska Medicare	\$177.40	\$2354.90
Alaska Commercial Mean	\$290.64	\$4704.80
Washington Medicaid	\$76.86	\$2034.50
Washington Commercial Mean	\$183.24	\$2601.20
North Dakota Medicaid	\$186.19	\$2339.40
Idaho Medicaid	\$117.01	\$1539.21

Milliman Client Report: Physician Payment Rates in Alaska and Comparison States prepared for Alaska Health Care Commission 2011

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### Payment comparisons: by procedure

Procedure	Area 981 90% UCR (Washington) % Medicare	Area 995 90% UCR (Anchorage area) % Medicare
Total Hip Arthroplasty	<b>\$5,409</b> 305.2%	<b>\$12,155</b> 685.9%
Fragmenting of Kidney Stone	<b>\$2,120</b> 183.6%	<b>\$8,200</b> 710.1%
Nasal/Sinus Endoscopy, Surgery	<b>\$871</b> 235.4%	<b>\$2,620</b> 708.1%
Inject Spine L/S (CD)	<b>\$683</b> 312.4%	<b>\$1,260</b> 576.3%
RPR Umbil Hern, Reduc > 5 yr	<b>\$1,229</b> 232.1%	<b>\$3,385</b> 639.4%

Source: Ingenix claims data

The hidden cost of health care

### Opportunity cost of dollars spent on health care: roads, public safety, schools and other public services



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### So what can we do?



### Innovations in service delivery/payment

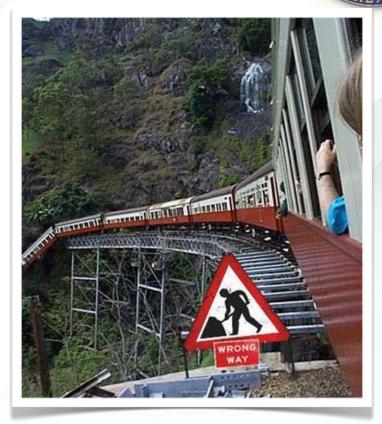
### Medicaid

- Medical Home
- Tribal Health exemplar of alternative provider types
- Bundled services
- Integrated BH/Primary care services
- Pay for performance
- Utilization review and management (radiology, Rx)
- Community based long-term care
- Disease/Case Management
- Managed Care
- Dual eligibles

### Innovations in service delivery/payment

### AlaskaCare

- Better leverage our purchasing power
- Consider expanded travel benefits or Centers of Excellence for certain services
- Develop a robust employee wellness program
- Continue to aggressively pursue contractual discounts
- Align contracting strategies around innovative care delivery models
- Develop a comprehensive health management strategy



### The State's approach

### **Our challenge:**

We must lower the rate of growth of our health care spend. Our current path is not sustainable.

### Our approach:

- Work together with the hospital and physician community
- Support high-quality, cost-effective health care delivery in Alaska
- Develop and support innovative solutions to our health care challenges



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