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VISION

ALASKA INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE SAFE AND HEALTHY

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Tele-Health Program
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What is Tele-Health?

- The use of electronic equipment and telecommunications technology to support long distance health care and education
- SDS video conferencing equipment is used to visually communicate between two locations or more through out Alaska



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How do we use it?

- SDS staff mtgs
- Personal Care Assistance re-assessments
- Home & Community Based re-assessments
- Adult Protective Services Investigations
- SDS internal trainings



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Why are we using it?

- We are challenged to conduct initial and annual re-assessments in rural Alaska.
- It saves the state money (50 assessments done to date = \$100,000 to date in savings)
- Improves the overall quality of our internal SDS administrative meetings
- Connects us internally with staff as well as with our rural partners



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What have we accomplished?

- Three agreements in place with our tribal partners.
- Processes have been outlined.
- Assessments have been accomplished
- Investigations have been initiated
- Internal trainings has been initiated
- Our internal tele-health team has been implemented.



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What are our next steps?

- Implement our work plan
- Outreach to establish increased agreements with our tribal partners
- Presentations to anyone that is willing to listen



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Why is this important to me?

- The advent of technology has had a huge impact on the deaf community
- Video phones in place within SDS
- My mother!!



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QUESTIONS?

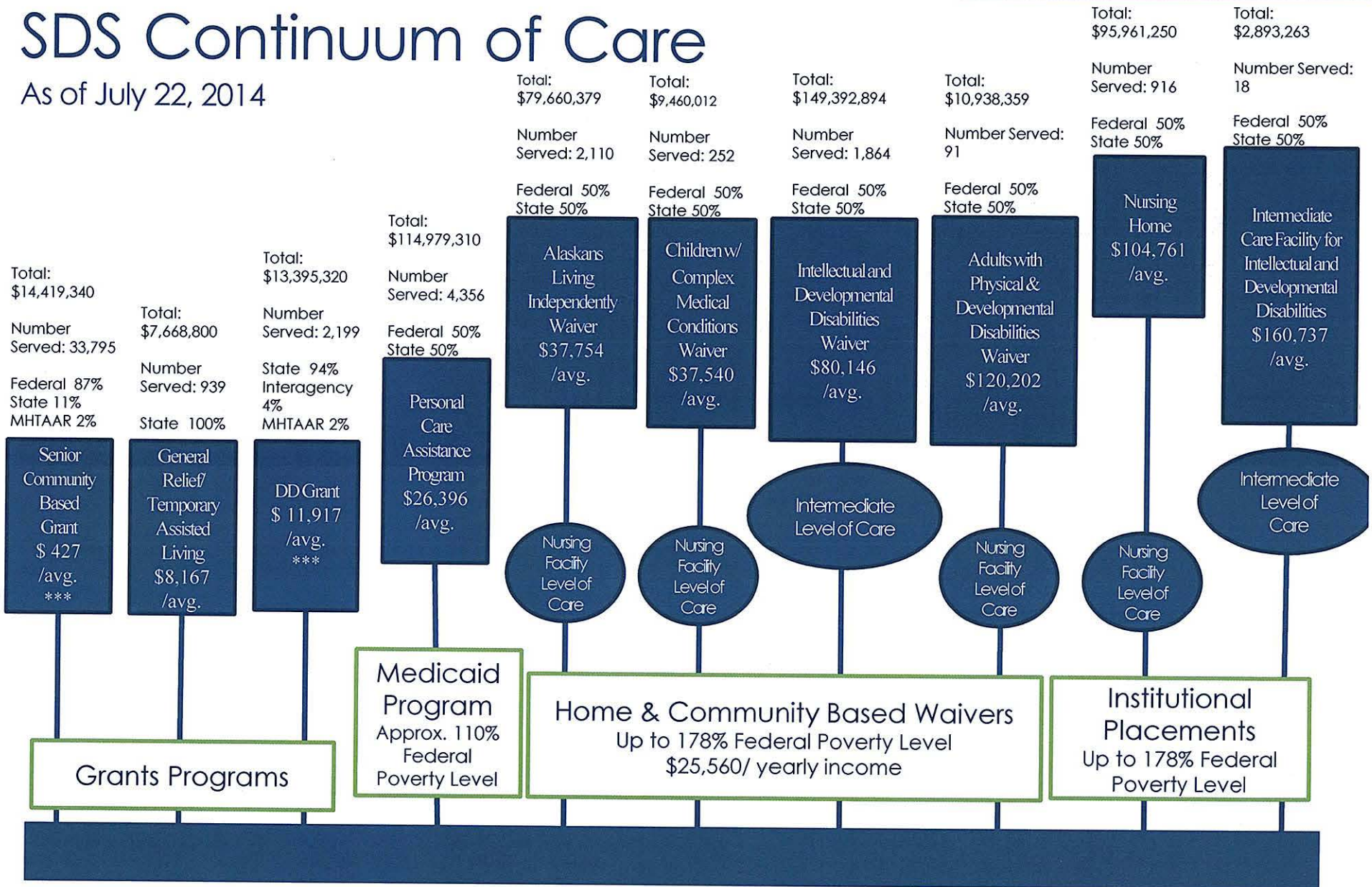
Thank You



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SDS Continuum of Care

As of July 22, 2014



**Grant recipients can also be eligible for PCA.

***The average costs are based on preliminary FY 2014 data, except for the Senior Community Based and Community DD Grants and Intermediate Care Facility for IDD which are FY 2013.