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- Drug/alcohol services
- Support groups for individuals/families with specific health problems
- other _____

BUDGET

1. What is your:
- | | Acute care | Long term care |
|--------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Revenue Budget | <u>3,608,296</u> | _____ |
| Expenditure Budget | <u>3,504,768</u> | _____ |
| Capital Budget | <u>n/a</u> | _____ |
- Facility is operated under management contract and does not include Capital expense.
2. What funding do you receive from the local level? None
3. What funding do you receive from the state? Only 3rd party pay

SERVICES

C.P.

Please indicate what services are offered by your facility and the rate charged for that service:

SERVICE	CHARGE/DAY	CHARGE/STAY
Acute medical/surgical	210.00/day	
Obstetrical	210.00/day	
Newborn well care	90.00/day	
Intensive/cardiac care:		
Adult	315.00/day	
Pediatric	315.00/day	
Newborn	n/a	
Chemical dependency	n/a	
Thermal	n/a	
Psychiatric	n/a	
OTHER SERVICES		
Electroencephalography	n/a	
Diagnostic Radioisotope	n/a	
CAT Scanner	n/a	
Radioisotope Therapy	n/a	
Radium Therapy	n/a	
Cobalt Therapy	n/a	
Chemotherapy	n/a	

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Fairbanks Memorial Hospital

1650 Cowles St.
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99701

OPERATED BY
LUTHERAN HOSPITALS AND HOMES SOCIETY
FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA 58102

August 20, 1981

Sen. Charlie Parr
Chairman
Health, Education and Social
Services Committee
Pouch B
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Senator Parr:

Enclosed is the completed questionnaire which was mailed to Fairbanks Memorial Hospital. I hope that the answers I have supplied will assist the Senate HESS Committee in studying the health issues of concern to Alaskans.

If I can be of further assistance in providing information to assist your Committee with its work, please do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely,


Tom Minger
Administrator

/dm

GENERAL

1. Where do the people who use the services of your facility live? (List by community or region of the state, and the percentage of the total number served) Majority live in Northern Alaska. (Refer to Exhibits A & B for numbers and percentages of patients by region).

2. Seasonal fluctuations of admissions is of prime concern in Alaska, please list the number of patient days by month:

	ACUTE	LONG TERM		ACUTE	LONG TERM
Jan.	<u>3,436</u>	<u>N/A</u>	July	<u>3,187</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Feb.	<u>3,272</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Aug.	<u>2,941</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Mar.	<u>3,403</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Sept.	<u>3,004</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Apr.	<u>3,339</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Oct.	<u>2,896</u>	<u>N/A</u>
May	<u>3,019</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Nov.	<u>2,877</u>	<u>N/A</u>
June	<u>3,226</u>	<u>N/A</u>	Dec.	<u>2,917</u>	<u>N/A</u>

3. Does your facility have difficulty meeting the current Fire/Life Safety codes? No If yes, please describe _____

Do you have any other concerns about the physical structure of your facility? No

4. Are there any significant shortages of health personnel in your facility? Yes Categories: Approximately 10% shortage of registered nurses in your community? Yes Categories: It is often difficult to obtain registered nurses. At times other specialized health care professionals (i.e. registered dietitians, clinical pharmacists) may be in short supply.

5. Do you expect a significant impact on your facility since the passage of HB 131, raising Revenue Sharing to \$250,000 for all hospitals? Yes What are the major reasons for your annual shortfall? Even though FMH does not run a deficit operation, it should be noted that no depreciation expense is accounted for; therefore, if this were the case, FMH would probably run a deficit.

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. Have you implemented any efforts at cost containment? Yes If so, what type? Product Review Committee established to aid in cost effective purchasing, bid system for food supplies, silver recovery units in radiology department, reductions in non-patient care areas, re-evaluation of several maintenance contracts, emphasis on efficiency in staffing levels.

2. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (Number in order of importance)

- 8 High overhead vs low occupancy rates
4 New medical technology
2 Increases in staff salaries
9 Population increases
6 Increase in number of health manpower
3 Retrospective reimbursement by third party payers
7 Addition of new services
5 Federal government limit on payment for services
1 Other) Regulations

3. Do you feel that Certificate of Need has had any impact on cost containment? (please explain) Yes. CON requires that a community plan

in an organized manner for new services.

Please explain any other effects on your facility from C.O.N.

CON application process can be extremely expensive, considering staff time

required. Can have negative effects on cost containment by requiring CON

application for items costing \$150,000 or more. (This could be better represented by increasing the level). Increased costs due to construction

HEALTH PLANNING delays are often a result of the lengthy review process.

1. Are you involved with your HSA? Yes To what extent? Member of Board of Directors.

2. Do you feel that the service area of your HSA is meaningful? Yes
 If not, how would you like to see it changed? _____

3. It seems likely that Federal regulation and support of HSAs will be discontinued, do you feel they should be maintained by the state? yes Would you like to see the HSAs restructured? Yes
 How? Flexibility to allow more provider representation on HSA boards.
 Would you like to see their priorities changed? How? Yes. Less emphasis on regulatory type organization and more on a supportive health planning organization.

4. What areas do you think are lacking in the current health planning?

INSURANCE

1. Does your facility have any problems with reimbursement (Please

specify):

Private Insurance See attachment

Medicare Pays fairly well at the present time.

Medicaid See attachment

- 2. Do you have any comments on HB 41 (State Comprehensive Health Plan)?
Believe that before implementation of HB 41 is accomplished that the Alaska Health Care Financing Study should be completed so that this might give some input into what services and/or needs are lacking in the state.

THE COMMUNITY

- 1. Do you feel that your facility adequately meets local needs for the mentally ill:
 Inpatient? Yes, for acute (short-stay) patients
 Outpatient? Outpatient services are generally not offered.

- 2. Are there other services in the community for the mentally ill?
Yes What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? _____

- 3. Do you feel that your facility adequately meets local needs for the drug/alcohol dependent:
 Inpatient? Yes, for short-stay treatment
 Outpatient? Service not available

- 4. Are there other services in the community for the drug/alcohol dependent? Yes What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? _____

- 5. If the support were there, would your facility develop more community health programs? (Indicate areas of interest)

- Preventive Health
- Health Education
- Supervised volunteer program
- Birthing center - hospital has birthing rooms
- Hospice services
- Mental health services

- Drug/alcohol services
- X Support groups for individuals/families with specific health problems
- X other Home health care

BUDGET 1980 Budget

1. What is your:

	Acute care	Long term care
Revenue Budget	<u>\$19,956,354</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Expenditure Budget	<u>\$19,626,849</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Capital Budget	<u>\$168,021</u>	<u>N/A</u>

2. What funding do you receive from the local level? None. Only from the Hospital Foundation.
3. What funding do you receive from the state? State Revenue Sharing State Revenue Sharing Construction Fund

SERVICES

Please indicate what services are offered by your facility and the rate charged for that service:

SERVICE	CHARGE/DAY	CHARGE/STAY
Acute medical/surgical	\$195 semi-private	data n/a
Obstetrical	\$195	data n/a
Newborn well care	\$130	data n/a
Intensive/cardiac care:		
Adult	\$195/day & \$13/hr.	data n/a
Pediatric	\$195/day & \$13/hr.	data n/a
Newborn	\$130/day & \$14/hr.	data n/a
Chemical dependency	N/A	data n/a
Thermal (ICU burn patient)	\$195/day & \$13/hr.	data n/a
Psychiatric	\$195/day	data n/a
<u>OTHER SERVICES</u>		
Electroencephalography	\$140-\$205*	data n/a
Diagnostic Radioisotope	\$225-\$400*	data n/a
CAT Scanner	\$330-\$800*	data n/a
Radioisotope Therapy	N/A	data n/a
Radium Therapy	N/A	data n/a
Cobalt Therapy	N/A	data n/a
Chemotherapy	N/A	data n/a

* Physician charges included

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Private Insurance: Blue Cross has recently instituted a policy where they only pay provider once every two weeks. This can mean a holdup of up to six weeks for payment to be received by the provider. This creates a dramatic cash flow situation for the hospital.

Medicaid: There are problems with Medicaid being divided between Juneau and the outside data processing system. It is difficult to find exactly where a problem is in the system and/or where a claim is at any certain time.

FAIRBANKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

TOTAL PATIENTS BY REGION

January-June 1981

<u>Region</u>	<u>Number of Patients</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Northern	4,518	96.39
Anchorage	29	.62
Norton Sound	10	.21
Cook Inlet	7	.15
Yukon-Kuskokwim	6	.13
Southeast	6	.13
Bristol Bay	1	.02
Copper River	1	.02
Aleutian Pribilofs	0	--
Kodiak	0	--
North Pacific Rim	0	--
Out-of-State	109	2.32

Source: Health Information Records Services (HIRS) Department, FMH

FAIRBANKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
EMERGENCY ROOM PATIENTS BY REGION
January-June 1981

<u>Region</u>	<u>No. of Patients</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Northern	5,904	95.44
Anchorage	83	1.34
Cook Inlet	25	.40
Yukon-Kuskokwim	16	.26
Southeast	9	.15
North Pacific Rim	7	.11
Norton Sound	7	.11
Copper River	5	.08
Bristol Bay	2	.03
Kodiak	1	.02
Aleutian Pribilofs	0	--
Out-of-State	127	2.05

Source: Health Information Records Services (HIRS) Department, FMH

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PROFESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

FAIRBANKS - NURSES

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

- 1 Inflation 131.111111231111211112.1114321 ✓29
- 3 New Technology 244432362125261.326244232253 ✓30
- 5 Hospital Services 65347369644.4573515 ✓18
- 5 Population increases 73568912376537656 ✓17
- 6 Increase in health manpower 84553576887886848 ✓17
- 4 Retrospective method of insurance payment 323267385835
1.53.7255623344 ✓25
- 3 Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid) 122722.6432
4225267219411 ✓23
- 5 New Services 538847473834338673 ✓18

1 Paperwork (Govt)
 Lack of Prevention
 Lack of Quality control
~~III Det. Med. Malpractice~~
 M.D. FEES.
 Inapp. use of health care

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:

- Hospitals
- III ~~more~~ more out patient
 - II under staff / pay nurses
 - II ~~not used as long term care~~ use ER.
 - III shorter stays
 - Better discharge planning
 - LESS DUPLICATION
 - Better nutrition
 - REDUCE COST
- Clinics
- III ~~more~~ more out patient
 - II Better 3rd party coverage
 - II REDUCE COST
 - III longer hours (ev)
 - III Prevention
- Long term care
- III ~~more~~ HOME HEALTH
 - 100 don't req.
 - III ~~more~~ HOME HEALTH
 - Nurses underpaid
 - III More fac. / closer to home
 - III REDUCE COST
 - Better Aide for terminal pts.

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41 (State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

- II DEFINE eligibility better
- III CPROSE
- II APPROVE
- PREPAID PLAN / PREV. EMPHASIS
- NEED \$ CONTROLS

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

- III SET CEILINGs ON FEES
- tax abatement to pay for ed. & treatment
- SCHOOL HEALTH ED.
- III limit MEDICAID
- III TRANSFER INC.
- II less paperwork
- COORD. SERVICES
- II OUTPAT & LTC SECTY. funding
- DEEP REVIEW
- REFERRAL SER. for Children.
- PREPAID INSURANCE
- LESS GOV'T REG.

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies (HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ YES ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO RESPONSE
- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ YES

- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?
- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO RESPONSE
- I CON
- I BOARD MEM.

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?

- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ YES ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

- ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ YES ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ ~~II~~ ~~I~~ UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

- ~~III~~ Prevention
- less planning.
- II NO PLANNING (PROL. HSA)
- II ELDERLY CARE
- II ALCOHOLISM
- III CHRONIC/TERRMINAL DTS. ASSIST.
- II MORE LOCAL & PROF. INPUT
- II RURAL CARE
- HEALTH ED.

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? ~~III~~ / YES
 I NO ~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ ~~III~~ UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?
~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~III~~ YES ~~III~~ ~~III~~ NO ~~III~~ ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ ~~III~~ UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? ~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~III~~ YES II NO
~~III~~ ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

more autonomy

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? ~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~III~~ YES / NO III NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

favor nurse practice act
II more nurse input rather than M.D.
Expand RN. responsibilities.
II more job pass. for L.P.N.

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?
~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~III~~ YES III NO I NO RESPONSE

III O.E. HARD to get locally; poor quality
II Count in-service as C.E.
III time off - TRAVEL

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO
/ NO RESPONSE // UNKNOWN.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO / NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Do you feel they function efficiently? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO
~~||~~ NO RESPONSE / UNKNOWN.

~~|||||~~ SLOW

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? ~~|||||~~ YES
~~|||||~~ NO // NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

NEED RETIREMENT PLAN.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~|||||~~ YES // NO UNKNOWN
~~||~~ NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS:

- ~~||~~ C.E. Difficult
- ~~||~~ SCH. of NURSING EXCE. CON'T.
- ~~||~~ DISTANCE / ISOLATION
- ~~||~~ POOR PHONE COMM to Villages
- ~~||~~ TRAVEL COST
- ~~||~~ F. follow up w/ villagers cliff.
- ~~||~~ ALCOHOLISM
- ~~||~~ LANGUAGE BARRIER
- ~~||~~ LIFESTYLE / Transient Pop.
- ~~||~~ supply availability

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO // NO RESPONSE / UNKNOWN.

If y's, in what fields? ~~||~~ RN (I.C.U.) ~~||~~ PEDIATRIES

- ~~|||||~~ RN
- ~~||~~ M.H. Prof.
- ~~||~~ ancillary
- ~~||~~ NEUROSURGE.
- ~~||~~ DERMATOLOGY
- ~~||~~ CARDIOLOGY
- ~~||~~ ALCOHOL PROF.
- ~~||~~ PODIATRIST

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO // NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

Please explain: ~~||~~ Highly trained CNA
~~||~~ rural
~~||~~ Home Health

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~||~~ NO
/ NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Explain:

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? ~~///~~ // YES
~~///~~ NO / NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

~~///~~ Rural

2. What health services are not available? ^{1 Hosp.} ~~///~~ // ^{FMT NOT avail. OUTSIDE city.} YES
^{poor quality of avail. services.} ~~///~~ // ^{11 NEUROSURGERY} NO / NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
^{lower alcohol treat. center} ~~///~~ // ^{111 NONE} NO / NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
^{HMO} ~~///~~ // ^{NURSING HOME} YES
^{11 Child study evaluation} ~~///~~ // ^{11 HOSPICE} YES
^{Radiation therapy} ~~///~~ // ¹¹¹ NO

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ~~///~~ // YES YES NO
~~///~~ // NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Do they function
efficiently ~~///~~ // YES // NO // NO RESPONSE
UNKNOWN.

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? ^{NEEDS NEW EQUIP.} ~~///~~ // YES
~~///~~ // NO / NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ // UNKNOWN.
If no, is there a demand for one? ^{111 too much territory to cover} ~~///~~ // YES // NO
~~///~~ // NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ // UNKNOWN.

^{111 BIRTHING RM. HOSP.}

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? ~~///~~ // YES
~~///~~ // NO / NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ // UNKNOWN.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? ~~///~~ // nurse-midwife
~~///~~ // lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives?
~~///~~ // YES ~~///~~ // NO // NO RESPONSE // UNKNOWN.

^{111 STRICT criteria/training/pract exam}

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services?
~~///~~ // YES ~~///~~ // NO // NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
If unavailable, is there a demand for it? ~~///~~ // YES // NO
~~///~~ // NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Any comments on this
service as a viable alternative to institutionalization?

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PROFESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

FAIRBANKS - M.D.

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

- ② Inflation 2 1 1 2 2 1 4 1 1 2 4 2 1 1 1 5 4
- ③ New Technology 4 4 3 1 2 3 2 2 3 7 1 4 4 2 13 4
- ⑤ Hospital Services 7 5 4 8 4 6 5 2 5 9 8
- ⑤ Population increases 10 2 9 6 5 5 4 7 8
- ⑥ Increase in health manpower 8 3 5 7 8 8 6 6 8 8
- ⑤ Retrospective method of insurance payment 4 7 1 6 7 3 7 2 5 9

④ Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid) 3 6 1 4 4 5 6 1 3 3 3 3 12 4

⑤ New Services 5 8 5 7 1 1 3 4 9 4 10 9

- ~~II PREVENTION (1/2 of)~~
- ~~I MALPRACTICE INSURANCE~~
- ~~I HOSP. EMPLOYEE SALARIES~~
- ~~III INCREASED AWARENESS / DEMANDS BY PATIENTS~~
- ~~II USE OF ALCOHOL / TOBACCO~~
- ~~I INCREASING MEDIAN AGE OF POPULATION~~
- ~~FULL COMPARE HEALTH INSURANCE~~
- ~~(COST) PAYS~~

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of: Hospitals III NONE

- ~~II ENCOURAGE OUTPATIENT USE~~
- ~~I FEWER STAFF~~
- ~~I INCREASE COMPETITION~~
- ~~II REDUCE GOVT PARTICIPATION~~
- ~~I BETTER 3RD PARTY PAYING~~

Clinics III NONE

- ~~I MAKE PATIENT RESPONSIBLE~~
- ~~I PATIENTS SHOULD PAY PART OF COST~~
- ~~II REDUCE GOVT PARTICIPATION~~
- ~~MORE FACILITIES IN LEVEL II COMM.~~

Long term care III NONE ~~I MORE FUNDING~~

- ~~I MORE FUNDING~~
- ~~II MORE HEALTH NEEDED~~
- ~~II 3RD PARTY CARE OF LONG HEALTH~~
- ~~I REDUCE GOVT PARTICIPATION~~
- ~~I More facilities~~

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41(State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

- ~~III~~ III UNIFORM AK
- I WILL EVENTUALLY MAKE SERVICE DEMAND / HIGHER COST
- II STATE NOT GET INVOLVED IN HEALTH
- I INCLUDE ALL MINORITIES.

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

- III PREVENTION - ALCOHOL / COMBINE
 - II MORE EFFICIENCY III S
 - III STATE NOT GET INVOLVED
 - III HEALTH EDUCATION
 - II MINIMIZE FREE SERVICE / 100% PAYABLE 3RD PARTY
 - Support / Educate Mid Level Pract
- HMO'S
Financial Incentives / Cost

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies(HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

III YES ~~III~~ ~~III~~ NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE
DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? ~~III~~ ~~III~~ YES

~~III~~ NO ~~II~~ NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?

- COO I
- PRESIDENT III
- MEMBER I
- ADVISOR III

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?

~~III~~ YES ~~III~~ NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ UNKNOWN
II FAIR

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

~~III~~ YES ~~II~~ NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

PREVENTION II Reorganize Medicaid
L.T.C. I
include Fed. Programs I
more provider input I
ELIMINATE COURT PLANNERS I

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? IIII YES
II NO III III NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

ABOLISH HSA

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?
III-III III YES NO II NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? III III YES III NO
I NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

FEAR IN LICENSING I
too slow in CA regulation II
ineffective in investigating incompetence I

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? III III YES NO III NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

law mobile license I / more aggressive review I
NONE. III less regulation I
investig. incompetence. II

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

III III III YES NO NO RESPONSE

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~///~~ ~~////~~ ~~////~~ YES ~~///~~ NO
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing? ~~///~~ ~~///~~ YES ~~////~~ NO ~~///~~ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN
Do you feel they function efficiently? ~~///~~ YES ~~///~~ NO
~~///~~ ~~///~~ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? ~~///~~ ~~///~~ ~~///~~ YES
_____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~///~~ ~~///~~ YES ~~///~~ NO _____ UNKNOWN
_____ NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS: II TRAVEL

I UN GEOGRAPHIC AREA / OP. PROBLEMS II ACCESS (FINAN)
I HIGH OVERTHEAD
I NO ACCESS TO PROF. C.E. II Life Style / Social Struct
I Volume of Rural Clinics ON RACT Support

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area? ~~///~~ YES ~~///~~ ~~///~~ NO ~~///~~ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

If yes, in what fields? I HEALTH AIDS
I FAMILY PRACTICE M.D.
II NURSES
III Other Professionals

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? ~~///~~ YES
~~///~~ ~~///~~ NO _____ NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ UNKNOWN.

Please explain: I Prevention
I ALCOHOL
III Rural Health

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~///~~ ~~///~~ ~~///~~ YES _____ NO
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Explain:

III ~~II~~ EXCELLENT

III BEST EFFICIENT

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~III~~ YES
I NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN,

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? I LONG TERM HOSPITAL CARE

NONE

II DON'T KNOW

HOME FOR CHRONIC PATIENTS

THERAPY FOR LOW/MIDDLE INCOME

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent? ~~III~~ YES I NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN,

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? II SERVICES INADEQUATE

II DON'T KNOW

NEEDS OVERMET

CHAR. P. HOME/HIGH-STORE HOOD.

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~III~~ II YES
NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ UNKNOWN,

Is it available to everyone? ~~III~~ YES NO

~~III~~ NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN, What services

are provided? DHS INTEGRATED NURSE

II WELL BABY

II IMMUNIZATION

II VD

I DAD SMOKE

II FAMILY PLANNING

What services are needed? EXPANDED IMPLEMENTATION OF DPH

11. Is Family Planning available in your community? ~~III~~ ~~III~~ ~~II~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN,

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum? ~~III~~ YES NO ~~III~~ NO RESPONSE ~~III~~ UNKNOWN

Elementary /// YES _____ NO _____

Secondary // YES _____ NO _____

NOT ENOUGH - EFFORTS THWARTED BY MORAL MAJORITY TYPES

13. Does your community have a hospice? _____ YES /// //// NO _____

/// NO RESPONSE // UNKNOWN, If no, is there

an interest in services for the terminally ill? /// YES _____

| NO //// NO RESPONSE | UNKNOWN

FAIRBANKS

AREA

15

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS

PHYSICIAN

PROFESSION

OTHER COMMENTS:

common w standards of safety in ~~_____~~
no way for public to judge qualifications of ~~_____~~
concern about people ~~_____~~ seeing a doctor
because of high medical cost.

M some physicians will not see welfare patients
because reimbursement is slow (and below cost)

PHYSICIAN ONLY

Response to HB 327, licensing Naturopathic Practitioners

NOT FAMILIAR WITH NATUROPATHY

III TRAINING INADEQUATE FOR DUTIES LISTED

I HOSPITAL ADMITTANCE RELATED TO STAFF PRIVILEGES AND CANNOT BE LEGISLATED

~~III~~ NO

II LEGALIZATION OF QUACKERY / REDUCING QUALITY OF CARE

~~III~~ I WILL MISLEAD THE PUBLIC

II NO RESPONSE III UNKNOWN

Have you had any contact with the rural health delivery? ~~III~~ II YES

III NO III NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

COMMENTS:

III NATIVE PROBLEMS: ALCOHOL, DRUGS, ACCIDENTS. NEED MORE ASSISTANCE

II ARABIAN DRUGS / IHS

II CARE BEING BUILT THROUGH

UNIVERSITY COURSE (WILLY) ASSISTANCE HEALTH CARE; Letter support of CHA's

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HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

3	1	Inflation	21428111	85
2	2	New Technology	14312223	85
4	4	Hospital Services	423752	6
7	7	Population increases	6866.	4
7	6	Increase in health manpower	7737	4
5	5	Retrospective method of insurance payment	85234	5
3	3	Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid)	5.3.14443	7
4	5	New Services	3658	4

Political Power of AMA
 PREVENTION NEEDS INSTEAD OF MED
 Defensive Medicine / Malpractice Ins
 TRAVEL COSTS

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:
 Hospitals

hosp. support of alternative birthing centers
 E.R. charges too high
 treatment alternatives
 informed consent
 expensive mark up to hosp. for med. supplies

Clinics

more prenatal care
 more ambulatory care
 need evening hours
 more sliding scale fees
 more usage
 more HMO
 expensive
 financing

Long term care

more hospice services
 more alternatives
 home health

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41 (State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

~~II avoid duplication services.~~ II support CHA - PHN
~~take power from AMA~~
More use of mid-levels for Medicaid / Natives
~~II PHARMACY~~
~~Antitotal M.D. procedures for overuse~~
II more primary outpatient - affordable - to keep people from ER

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies (HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

I _____ YES II _____ NO III _____ NO RESPONSE
II _____ DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? III _____ YES

III _____ NO I _____ NO RESPONSE In what capacity?

II ~~Member~~
I member

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?

I _____ YES _____ NO III _____ NO RESPONSE III _____ UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

(I) _____ YES _____ NO III _____ NO RESPONSE II _____ UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

- || Support Comm. Health Cides. / more training
- || Health ed.
- || Rural accessibility
- || Transition

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? _____ YES
 | _____ NO (|||) _____ NO RESPONSE || _____ UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

- rural input
- _____
- _____
- _____

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?
~~||||~~ YES | _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? |||| _____ YES | _____ NO
 _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

- || Modify N.P. regs so experience counts toward licensure
- licensing unrealistic for AK.
- AMA members don't understand

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? ||||| _____ YES | _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

- modify law AK
- || Regs for CNP should be promulgated by nurses
- | None

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

~~||||~~ YES _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~||||~~ YES _____ NO _____
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing? ~~||||~~ YES || _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN

Do you feel they function efficiently? ~~||||~~ YES | _____ NO _____
| _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? |||| _____ YES
||| _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

|| P.H.S. salaries not commensurate w/ Priv. Prac.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~||||~~ YES _____ NO _____ UNKNOWN

| _____ NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS: || Rural isolation
|| more resp. because of lack of Physicians
M.D.'s think they are GOD lack of peer support
lack of C.E. travel
isolation
Poor communication

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area? ~~||||~~ YES ~~||||~~ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN

If yes, in what fields? ||| PHS NURSES
SURGERY
OB-GYN
ANP

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? ~~||||~~ || _____ YES
| _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

Please explain: ||| More mid-levels for rural
Free Physicians from "well" patients
More EMTs needed in King Salmon
Lack of CT / same service

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~||||~~ || _____ YES _____ NO _____
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Explain:

PROFESSIONAL 5.

expensive

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? |||| YES
||| NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

Rural 200-300 mi to hosp.
weather

2. What health services are not available?

Prenatal low poor
|| Prevention
Rural care in hill area
Dental
Training for EMT

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ||||| YES Galena NO
| NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Do they function
efficiently |||| YES NO || NO RESPONSE

UNKNOWN. just starting - need training & comm. return
1 County

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? ||| YES
||| NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

If no, is there a demand for one? ||| YES NO
|| NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? || YES
||| NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

Naturopathic Phys.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? |||| nurse-midwife
||| lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives?
||| YES || NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

|| Public need info or qualifications

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services?
|||| YES |||| NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

If unavailable, is there a demand for it? ||| YES NO
| NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Any comments on this
service as a viable alternative to institutionalization?

III cost-effective
II number treatment
III Good Prog

Staff pay too little
more hours for staff

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~III~~ YES
I NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
walkway houses crisis inter.

need more care in rural comm.
stress program

II alcoholism

Hold unit for psychotic

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent?
~~III~~ YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
walkway

unmet needs.

1/2 comm. alcoholic - much needed

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~III~~ I YES
II NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

Is it available to everyone? ~~III~~ YES / NO

NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN. What services

are provided? III screening/immun. EPSDT
ed.

fam. planning

nutrition

What services are needed? health ed.

low cost contraception

more personal

ed.

11. Is Family Planning available in your community? ~~III~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum?
~~III~~ YES I NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

DEPENDS on teacher/school

PROFESSIONAL 7 *K-3 only*

Elementary 11 YES _____ NO _____
Secondary _____ YES _____ NO _____

13. Does your community have a hospice? *Starting* YES |||| NO _____
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. If no, is there
an interest in services for the terminally ill? |||| YES _____
| _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN

King Salmon Galena
Anch FBS Alaska Home AREA _____
3 NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS _____
A.N.P. - FNP PROFESSION _____

OTHER COMMENTS:
*Another Comments RE: ~~discuss~~ Ak. reqs. are
strict re: length of ed. and takes no account
for Ed. / training / service in other states.
need Women's Care Clinic*

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Pelican HEALTH
 JUNEAU TOK
 FBKS
 KODIAK

P.A.

ONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

2	1	2	4	1	7	1	2	2	4	2	1	12	10						
4	4	1	1	9	2	3	4	7	3	2		9	7						
3	3	5	3	7	1	2	3	2	1	6		9	7						
6	8	6	9	5	6	6	6	1	4	5		9	8						
8	8	8	8	6	8	8	8	8	8	7		8	7						
4	8	5	4	3	4	1	3	6	3	1		8	7						
5	5	Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid)										9	7	2	4	5	8	5	4
6	6	New Services										4	6	8	5	7	5	6	5

- ~~No Prevention~~
- ~~No competition~~
- ~~Fee for service concept~~
- ~~DOO'T WASTE~~
- ~~DOO'T REDTAP~~
- Multidisciplinary T.N.B. / Det. Med.
- HOSP. ADMIN.

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:

- Hospitals High technology: low yield services
- II COMBINE SERVICES W/ ANHS / IHS
 - USE MORE P.A.'S
 - LIMIT E.R. USE
 - MORE INDIVIDUAL / Caring atmos.
- Clinics SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN ALL COMMUNITIES
- INCREASE UTILIZATION
 - HMO
 - MORE P.A.'S
 - PEER REVIEW
- Long term care More facilities closer to home
- More P.A.'S
 - I HOME HEALTH
 - Better Medicare / Medicaid subsidy

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41(State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

III AN URGENT IDEA -
I OPPOSED

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

STATE HEALTH INSUR. PEER REVIEW
ADJUSTMENT ON THE HEALTH CARE II QUALITY CONTROL
Publish fee structures school health ed.
Receive more provider input.
PREVENTIVE HEALTH
INVESTIGATE WORKMAN'S COMP. FOR EFFICIENCY.

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies(HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

III YES III NO I NO RESPONSE
II DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? III YES
III NO III NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?

RESOURCE
I member

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?
II YES III NO I NO RESPONSE II UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

III YES I NO II NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

III Prevention Laboratory facilities
III Health Ed.
CONSOLIDATE Fed & State Prog.
II RURAL HEALTH (MOBILE CLINICS)
P.A. COMPT

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? II YES
III NO III NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

ABOLISH HSA >

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?
IIII YES III NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? IIII YES III NO
III NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

Diff. obtaining license in reasonable time (slow, ineffect)
P.A. regulations made w/o sufficient knowledge
UNEDUCATED ON P.A. CAPABILITIES AND NEEDS.
TOO POLITICAL

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? IIII YES NO I NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

III NONE MORE consideration Grandfathering
more flexibility for Rural P.A.s P.A. INDIVIDUAL LICENSING
P.A.s ON BOARD

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

IIII YES NO NO RESPONSE

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~||||~~ YES | _____ NO
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

+ recertification exams.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing? ~~||||~~ YES ||| _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN

Do you feel they function efficiently? ~~||||~~ YES || _____ NO
|| _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

2 slow

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? ~~||||~~ YES
~~|||~~ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~|||||~~ YES _____ NO _____ UNKNOWN
_____ NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS: _____

||| ISOLATION

|| weather

| TRAVEL

Politics - URBAN v. RURAL

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area? || YES ~~||||~~ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

If yes, in what fields? || P.A.

ORTHOPEDICS

E.R. CARE (waiter)

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? ~~||||~~ YES
| _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

Please explain: ||| RURAL AREAS

~~||||~~ TA & RN are most effective for routine care

| MORE CARING / TIME

| WHOLE CONCEPT CARE / PREVENTION

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~||||~~ YES _____ NO
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Explain:

PROFESSIONAL 5.

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? ~~||||~~ YES
~~||||~~ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

Because of Fed. funding (PHS)

2. What health services are not available? X-RAY
||| IND. SPECIALTIES DIAGNOSTIC
OB-GYN INHALATION THERAPY
DENTIST-REASONABLY \$ SURGERY
CME HOSPITAL

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ~~|||||~~ YES _____ NO
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Do they function
efficiently ~~|||||~~ YES | _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE
_____ UNKNOWN.

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? || _____ YES
~~||||~~ _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN.
If no, is there a demand for one? ||| _____ YES ~~||||~~ _____ NO
|| _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. NO M.D. PELICAN

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? || _____ YES
~~||||~~ _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE ||| _____ UNKNOWN.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? ||| _____ nurse-midwife
|| _____ lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives?
~~||||~~ _____ YES ||| _____ NO ||| _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN.

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services?
~~||||~~ _____ YES ~~||||~~ _____ NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.
If unavailable, is there a demand for it? ||| _____ YES _____ NO
~~||||~~ _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Any comments on this
service as a viable alternative to institutionalization?

Diff. to find competent staff
||| Excellent program
Not functional (Practical)

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~|||~~ YES
||| NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
MORE SERVICES (Practical + 50 villages)
Psychiatrist
LOCAL CLINIC

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent?
~~||||~~ YES | NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
||| NO DETOX
sheltered living
PROGRAM w/ WIDE ADVERTISEMENT

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~|||~~ YES
||| NO | NO RESPONSE || UNKNOWN.

Is it available to everyone? ||| YES | NO
||| NO RESPONSE | UNKNOWN What service
are provided? ||| DAN HINSHAW BASIS
immunization
EPS - WIC

What services are needed? MORE CO-ORD. w/ M.D.
EDUCATION

11. Is Family Planning available in your community? ~~||||~~ YES
| NO | NO RESPONSE | UNKNOWN.

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum?
~~||||~~ YES || NO | NO RESPONSE ||| UNKNOWN

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PROFESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

JULIEAU
 FBKS
 ANCH.
 BETHEL
 KENAI

Psychologist

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

- 2 (2) Inflation 2 1 1 2 6 1 4 1 1 10
- 4 (4) New Technology 1 3 7.5 4 6 6
- 4 (4) Hospital Services 3 4 5 2 5 5 2 7 7
- 8 (8) Population increases 5 9 9 7 4
- 6 (6) Increase in health manpower 6 8 7 3 4
- 3 (3) Retrospective method of insurance payment 5 3 4 3 3 6
- 3 (3) Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid) 2 3 8 2 2 1 6
- 6 (6) New Services 6 4 8 3
- 1 Payment for serv. insur.
- 11 Malpractice / defensive medicine OVERUSE
- 11 Prof. salary increases GOVT PAYS TOO MANY SERVICES STRONGEST UNION - MEDICAL GREED
- 11 Patient ...
- 11 MENTAL HEALTH

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:

- Hospitals - I OUTPATIENT SURGERY
- II LIMIT NEW BEDS
- II COST CONTROL
- MALPRACTICE LIMIT
- BETTER MANAGEMENT
- Clinics III INCREASED USE
- Long term care III HOME HEALTH
- II NEED LTD. in Bethel / KENAI

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HR 41(State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

III SUPPORT

II OPPOSE

Private sector involved in planning/development
should provide payment to psychologists.

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

CONTINUE HSA

discontinue funding Native Care

ENCOURAGE TO HMO

HSA OVERSIGHT

II PRACTICE FEES/CEILINGS

II PREVENTION

~~ELIMINATE HSA~~

ISS PAPERWORK

II " " GOVT

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies(HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

III YES III NO II NO RESPONSE
II DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? III III YES

II NO II NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?

II CONSULTATION ON GRANTS

III OBSERVER

I MEMBER

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?

III YES III NO II NO RESPONSE III UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

III YES I NO II NO RESPONSE III UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

More financial planning / central 1 More M.H.
NEED PROFESSIONAL PLANNERS 1 Psych not included
include IHS, ANHS planning / representation Medicare / medi
II Planning for Growth family counseling
II Prevention Pass Freedom of Choice Leges
II Leave to Private Sector

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

Sep. Anen. from rural
ABOLISH HSA

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

DON'T KNOW PSYCHOLOGY
II POOR STAFF SUPPORT
HAD TO GO TO COURT TO OBTAIN LICENSE
Not! Licensing exam should be used - state exam poorly constructed

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? YES NO NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

III should be easier for more peop. to get licensed - practic. levels
II Simplify LAW.
III Board more transparent
II Enforcement of violations

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

YES NO NO RESPONSE

PROFESSIONAL 5.

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? ~~|||~~ || YES
||| NO || NO RESPONSE ~~|||~~ UNKNOWN.

air travel to Miami

2. What health services are not available? *getting imm. appl*

Re-entry planning for those in rural
|| Preventive *Higher quality alcohol treatment & M.H.*
CMHC *DENTAL / ORTHANOLOGISTS inpatient*
specialists *LAB: X-RAY*

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ~~|||~~ YES NO
|| NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Do they function

efficiently ~~|||~~ YES NO || NO RESPONSE
UNKNOWN.

excess in Tanana

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? ~~|||~~ YES

||| NO NO RESPONSE ||| UNKNOWN.
If no, is there a demand for one? ~~|||~~ YES | NO
| NO RESPONSE | UNKNOWN.

develop.

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? ~~|||~~ YES

||| NO | NO RESPONSE ~~|||~~ UNKNOWN.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? ~~|||~~ nurse-midwife

lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives?
||| YES || NO ~~|||~~ NO RESPONSE ||| UNKNOWN.

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services?

~~|||~~ YES ~~|||~~ NO | NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
If unavailable, is there a demand for it? ~~|||~~ YES | NO
~~|||~~ NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Any comments on this

service as a viable alternative to institutionalization?

GOOD PROB.

should get 3rd party payment

ALSO NEED MORE FOSTER CARE.

CONTRACT BY REGION

Little support for H/H

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~|||||~~ YES
|| NO _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? ~~||~~ INTEGRATE INTO COMMUNITY Child Protection

COMM. M.H.C. NEVER LIVED UP TO MIND. CONTRACT

family counseling

MANIP ABUSES

inpatient psych.

||| Halfway house (children)

Treatment for acute and

(3-wk. wait) || more providers

API BAD REPUT

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent? ~~|||||~~ YES _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? ||| more providers

better coordination

|| halfway house

|| village based services

inpatient.

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~|||||~~ YES
|| NO || _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN.

Is it available to everyone? ~~|||||~~ YES _____ NO

||| NO RESPONSE || _____ UNKNOWN. What services are provided? ||| IMMUN.

|| ED

|| Consult.

||| Child

What services are needed? NONE

|| Mental Health
|| Counseling

11. Is Family Planning available in your community? ~~|||||~~ YES
NO | _____ NO RESPONSE # | _____ UNKNOWN.

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum? ~~|||||~~ YES | _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE ||| _____ UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 7

Elementary /// YES _____ NO _____

Secondary || YES _____ NO _____

|| MORE NEEDED

Develop.

13. Does your community have a hospice? || YES /// NO _____

|| NO RESPONSE /// UNKNOWN. If no, is there

an interest in services for the terminally ill? /// YES _____

/// NO /// NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN

TUNEAU FBKS. ANCH. BETHEL KENAI

Delta Jct

AREA

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS

PROFESSION

OTHER COMMENTS:

MORE SUBSIDY FOR MED. ED.

LIMIT PRACTICE INS.

NO INCENTIVE TO STAY WELL - ARTICLE

* MANY COMMENTS ON PSYCH.

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PROFESSIONAL

3. health in day care centers

needs of classically employed
What issues need more attention?

catastrophic illness coverage

abolish HSA

make one agency only

rural health care

increase competition

more provider input

Pioneer Home in Health
HSA too Political
F.M.S.

abolish C.O.N.

Preventive Health

Child abuse

improve Medicaid payment

Long Health Services

Better geographic coverage

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? YES

NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

ANCH. SEPARATE from work

ONE IN STATE ONLY

ABOLISH HSAs

USE LOCAL MEDICAL SOCIETY

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?

YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? YES NO

NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

slow

THE BOARD DOES NOT REGULATE QUALITY

THE BOARD DOES NOT ENFORCE PROFESSIONAL

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? YES NO NO RESPONSE

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

Limit practitioners' responsibilities

Supervise technicians against practice

Review on licensing - prescriptive control

C.M.E. requirement

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

YES NO NO RESPONSE

include supervisors & other parties
mandatory would increase expense to the user
Difficult for rural H.S.O.

PROFESSIONAL 5.

11 Shortage of Rural MDs
Shortage of Specialists

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? ~~YES~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

IN RURAL AREAS Public trans. limited
NOT AGED & HANDICAPPED 11 140/100/100

2. What health services are not available? NONE

Dental/low-mid income PRIMARY CARE MDs
OB/GYN IN-Patient Rehab.
COMPREHENSIVE SUPPLY 1111 ULTRA SPECIALISTS
EDUCATION LIMITED MENTAL HEALTH

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ~~YES~~ NO

NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Do they function efficiently? YES NO NO RESPONSE
UNKNOWN.

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? ~~YES~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

If no, is there a demand for one? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? ~~YES~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? ~~YES~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

If unavailable, is there a demand for it? YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Any comments on this service as a viable alternative to institutionalization?

~~II~~ II too many violations INCREASES COST/HOSPITALIZATION
~~IIIIIIIIII~~ GOOD PROGRAM ~~IIII~~ UNDERSTAFFED
~~IIIIIIIIII~~ COST EFFECTIVE ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ EXCESSIVE INVESTIGATION

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
ADT HAS BAD REPUTATION POORLY STAFFED
ADULT DAY CARE TRANSITIONAL CARE
NONE sheltered workshop
NO CARE FROM SIOE IS.S COMMUNITY SHOULD STEP OUT
PARENTING PROGRAMS CARE FOR H.F.S.

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent? ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary?
NEED A LOCKED FACILITY WASTE OF MONEY
MEDICAID SPONSORSHIP Specialized housing
MENTAL SERVICES NEEDED (lab/therapy) too many substance abusers
NONE
SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS ARE...

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

Is it available to everyone? ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. What services are provided?
VD CLINIC LABS Family planning
TB " 2nd level Family planning
3rd level Family planning/Drug Abuse

What services are needed? Individualized schools Special health
Developmental services MENTAL HEALTH Adolescent studies
ADULT SPONSORING MENTAL MENTAL HEALTH

* State mental health investigation preventive health prog. ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES
11. Is Family Planning available in your community? NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum? ~~IIIIIIIIII~~ YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

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PROFESSIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Dentist

HEALTH CARE COSTS

1. What is your estimation of the major causes of health care cost escalation? (number in order of importance)

1	1	Inflation	1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 4 1 1 1 1 1 3	2/74
4	3	New Technology	3 1 6 1 6 2 6 2 2 4 3 5 5	13 11
4	4	Hospital Services	7 4 2 5 5 1 2 3 5 4 4 4	12 10
8	5	Population increases	9 8 9 9 8 6 7 8 6 8	9 7
6	6	Increase in health manpower	6 4 4 8 3 7 7 9 2 2 7 6	12 10
4	7	Retrospective method of insurance payment	8 6 8 7 4 3 3 2 3	11-12
4	4	Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid)	5 5 3 7 3 5 2 4	14
5	8	New Services	4 7 3 4 5 5 3 8 7	9-7

Employee Wages

INSURANCE

Public involvement w/ Payments / cost / savings

II Multiple ins / Reimburse

Patient expectations / demands

STATE & FED. GOV'T involvement

Income tax

Lack of Prevention

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:

Hospitals III Copayments

II Insurance paying hospital / no outpatient

II Efficiency

III technological duplication

II AMBULATORY CARE

Clinics III Copayments

II Prevention

More utilization of outpatient services.

Long term care III for Non-insured

II more facilities

PROFESSIONAL 2.

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41 (State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

~~THE STATE SAID OUT OF HEALTH~~

~~IIIIII OPPOSE~~

~~III ANY IMPROVEMENT IN LOW INCOME MED. & MEDICARE~~

~~THE TOO EXPENSIVE~~

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

~~IMPROVE CARE FOR ELDERLY~~

~~III MORE STRICT MEDICAID~~

~~II DON'T MOVE CAPITAL - USE MONEY FOR HEALTH~~

~~III GET RED TAPE~~

~~III PREVENTION~~

~~II FIGHT INFLATION~~

~~I CO-PAYMENT / STOP OVERUSE~~

~~III STAY OUT~~

~~I Malpractice Limit~~

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies (HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

II YES ~~IIIIII~~ NO I NO RESPONSE

I DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? ~~IIIIII~~ YES

~~IIIIII~~ NO NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?

~~II NUMBER~~

~~III OBSERVER~~

~~I CONTRACTS~~

~~II IDENTIFIED~~

~~ADVISOR~~

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?

~~IIIIII~~ YES ~~IIIIII~~ NO III NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?

~~IIIIII~~ YES ~~IIIIII~~ NO III NO RESPONSE I UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN
Do you feel they function efficiently? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? ~~|||||~~ YES
~~|||||~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO UNKNOWN
NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS:

~~|||||~~ travel
~~|||||~~ HIGH TREATMENT CHARGES
~~|||||~~ MULTIPROFESSORIAL INS.
~~|||||~~ CURETREAT
HARD TO GET PARA-PROF.
|| work-unemployment cycle
ISOLATION
Patient followup hard
DON'T OWN PRACTICE w/o exam.

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
If yes, in what fields? DENTAL SPECIALTIES

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? ~~|||||~~ YES
~~|||||~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
Please explain: ~~|||||~~ COST EFF.
BETTER TRAINED
IN DENTAL AREAS NEEDED

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~|||||~~ YES ~~|||||~~ NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Explain:

~~1774 (anon) Prog.~~
11 ~~cust~~ ~~off.~~

8. Does your community provide services for the mentally ill? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES
|| NO || NO RESPONSE || UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? || none

sheltered care

9. Does your community provide services for the alcohol/drug dependent? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES
~~YES~~ NO || NO RESPONSE | UNKNOWN.

What needs of this group are not met locally that you feel are necessary? || none

inadequate follow up

10. Is there a Preventive Health program in your area? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES
|| NO || NO RESPONSE || UNKNOWN.

Is it available to everyone? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES || NO

~~NO RESPONSE~~ UNKNOWN. What services are provided? || immunization

|| well-child

What services are needed? ED.

11. Is Family Planning available in your community? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES
~~YES~~ NO ~~NO RESPONSE~~ || UNKNOWN.

12. Is Health Education in your local school district curriculum? ~~YES~~ ~~NO~~ ~~NO RESPONSE~~ ~~UNKNOWN~~ ^{||} YES
~~YES~~ NO ~~NO RESPONSE~~ || UNKNOWN.

PROFESSIONAL 7

Elementary ~~///~~ /// YES _____ NO _____
Secondary ~~///~~ /// YES _____ NO _____

13. Does your community have a hospice? /// YES /// NO
~~///~~ NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ UNKNOWN. If no, is there
an interest in services for the terminally ill? /// YES
/// NO ~~///~~ NO RESPONSE ~~///~~ UNKNOWN

(North Pole)
FBKS ANCH KODIAK Soldotna JUNEAU Palmer AREA
7 13 1 1 2 2 NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS
DENTIST PROFESSION

OTHER COMMENTS:
President Dental Board self serving - 2 yrs passed
on mem for dental health. And all testimony dis-
regarded i.e. ridiculous keep.
Peers should select members of Dental Board &
Governor appoint laymen
Keep Delta Dental processing Medicaid - they are prompt
Screen Medicaid better
More care for young & elderly (Dental)

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TAIMER

Chiropractor

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- ⑥ Increase in health manpower 3 7 7 8 4
- ③ Retrospective method of insurance payment 2 4 6 1 2 8
- ③ Government health programs (Medicare and Medicaid) 3 2 3 4 3 5

- ⑤ New Services 1 5 6 7 3
~~PAKER WORK~~
~~STAFF WAGE INCREASES~~

2. Do you see any need for changes in service, delivery or utilization of:

Hospitals III Chiro. allowed to treat in tax-supported facilities
Better communication w/ professionals
Develop / tertiary care hosp.
More private

Clinics II Prevention
closer to people

Long term care Medicaid/Medicare include Chiropractors
multilevel facilities
Home Health

3. Do you have any comments on HB 41 (State Comprehensive Health Plan)?

I support
include all services in originally - don't phase in.
II oppose
I expensive
include chiro.

4. From your professional viewpoint, can you envision any activities the state can pursue to control health expenditures?

COMPETITION
ORTHO - SURGERY ONLY AS LAST OPTION.
REQUIRE B.C. welfare recip.
(ALL HEALTH CARE PROV. EQUAL ACCESS TO NURS. SERVICES)
ISSUE 3RD PARTY & LIMIT INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE COST

HEALTH PLANNING

1. The Federal Government plans to discontinue funding health planning agencies (HSAs) by 1983, do you think the state should continue funding our three HSAs?

II YES III NO II NO RESPONSE
DON'T KNOW

2. Have you had any personal contact with your HSA? III YES
III NO NO RESPONSE. In what capacity?

ADVISOR
INTERVIEW
OBSERVER
II MEMBER (6 yrs)

3. Do you think your HSA does a fair representation of your profession?
III YES III NO II NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

4. Do you see any needs for restructuring state health planning?
III YES NO III NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

PROFESSIONAL 3.

What issues need more attention?

11 include Chiro.
11 Prevention
Equal rep. of all health providers.
More time effort at planning / prev. / ed

5. Is the catchment area of your HSA meaningful? 111 YES
NO 1111 NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

If no, how would you envision redefinition?

PROFESSIONAL

1. Have you had any contact with the Board that regulates your profession?
1111 YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN

Does the Board function efficiently? 1111 YES 1 NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. If no, please explain:

60117 HAMPERS BOARD

2. Do you perform services in your occupation as defined by law and regulation? 1111 YES NO NO RESPONSE.

What changes would you want to see in the regulation of your profession?

laws for chiro. to strict
qualification for chiro. using physical therapy
access to hampers services.

3. Have you participated in professional continuing education?

1111 YES NO NO RESPONSE

PROFESSIONAL 4

Do you feel that continuing education should be required for all health care professionals? ~~///~~ /// YES _____ NO _____
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

4. Have you had any contact with the Division of Occupational licensing?
~~///~~ YES | _____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN
Do you feel they function efficiently? || YES ~~///~~ NO
| _____ NO RESPONSE | _____ UNKNOWN.

slow; unorganized

5. Do you feel that the wage/salary you receive is commensurate with your professional education and preparation? ~~///~~ || YES
_____ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

6. Are there conditions affecting your profession that you think are unique to Alaska? ~~///~~ /// YES | _____ NO _____ UNKNOWN
|| NO RESPONSE. COMMENTS: _____

*insurance outside of AK.
TRAVEL
difficult to get follow-up care*

7. Do you feel there is a shortage of health care providers in your area?
/// YES ~~///~~ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

If yes, in what fields? Chiro. Specialist
CP-64N holistic practitioners
NUTRITION
|| NEUROLOGY
Surbery

8. Do you see an increased need for para-professionals? /// YES
~~///~~ NO | _____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN.

Please explain: PA NO SUPERVISION COST SAME AS M.D
+00 MANY Providers.
Prevention
more utilization to V.F.D.

GENERAL

1. Is health care accessible in your area? ~~///~~ /// YES _____ NO _____
_____ NO RESPONSE _____ UNKNOWN. Explain:

PROFESSIONAL 5.

Is transportation to health care facilities a problem? || YES
~~||||~~ NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
|| Rural

2. What health services are not available? || Child hospitalized / rural

3. Are Emergency Medical Services available? ~~||||~~ YES NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN. Do they function
efficiently? ~~||||~~ YES NO NO RESPONSE
UNKNOWN.

4. Does your area have an alternative birthing center? ~~||||~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.
If no, is there a demand for one? NO YES NO
NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

5. Does any doctor in your area do home deliveries? ~~||||~~ YES
NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

6. Are there practicing midwives in your community? ~~||||~~ nurse-midwife
~~||||~~ lay midwife. Should the state license lay midwives?
~~||||~~ YES NO NO RESPONSE UNKNOWN.

7. Have you had any contact with Homemaker/Home Health Services?
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