



**State of Alaska
Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Division of Labor Standards and Safety**

AKOSH Program Directive 04-06

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To: Distribution List

From: Grey R. Mitchell, Director

Subject: **State Initiated Program Change: Jurisdictional Change in Responsibility for Certain Alaska Native Health Care Facilities and Alaska Military Installations**

This Program Directive, PD 04-06, is notice that Alaska Department of Labor & Workforce Development, Division of Labor Standards & Safety has finalized a change in jurisdictional responsibility for certain Alaska Military Installations and Native health care facilities. This change in jurisdiction was published April 19, 2004 in the Federal Register entitled "Alaska State Plan; Approval of Plan Supplement; Level of Federal Enforcement".

Military installations include: Cape Lisburne Long Range Missile Base, Point Lay Short Range Missile Base, Eareckson Air Station at Shemya, Fort Greeley Missile Defense, U. S. Coast Guard Integrated Support Commands at Kodiak and Ketchikan, U. S. Coast Guard Air Station at Sitka, and U. S. Coast Guard 17th District Command at Juneau.

OSHA has assumed jurisdiction and enforcement responsibility for these facilities. AKOSH retains jurisdiction over other military installations and will conduct safety and health inspections of private contractors operating on military bases not listed above.

On July 10, 2001, AKOSH signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with OSHA agreeing to relinquish jurisdiction over Native health care facilities in Alaska that are federally owned and contractor operated. Notice of this MOU was posted in the April 19, 2004 Federal Register.

The Native health facilities include those owned by the US Department of the Interior, Indian Health Service; the U. S. Department of Defense; or the U. S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and operated by Tribal organizations under contract with the Indian Health Service.

The AKOSH retains jurisdiction over construction and contract maintenance activities at these facilities, with the exception of the Metlakatla Indian Community. AKOSH also

retains jurisdiction over other Native health care facilities that are leased or owned by Tribal organizations, or city, county and state municipalities, with the exception of the Metlakatla Indian Community. These facilities are outlined in the 2001 MOU. AKOSH will provide consultation and training services at all Native health care facilities, upon request.

This program directive becomes effective April 19, 2004. Please ensure that all members of your staff receive a copy of the Federal Register showing the changes and this program directive, and understand how to implement it.

Attachment: FR Vol 69, No. 75, pp 20826-20828
Effect of Change
AKOSH State-Initiated Program Change
MOU 07-10-2001, Appendices A & B

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