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Juneau Pioneer Home Recognized for Workplace Safety

JUNEAU, Alaska—Labor and Workforce Development Commissioner Click Bishop approved the Juneau Pioneer Home for the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program renewal as a result of outstanding employee safety and health programs.

“The Juneau Pioneer Home staff care deeply about the elders and about each other,” Administrator Jill Sandleben said. “This creates a sense of connectedness that results in being invested in the well-being of the JPH community as a whole.”

Organizations that partner with AKOSH and achieve SHARP status are likely to experience fewer workplace accidents and reduced workers' compensation insurance costs.

SHARP is a federal recognition program, administered by the Alaska Occupational Safety and Health Section in the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's Standards and Safety Division. Participating employers are excused from programmed AKOSH enforcement inspections during the recognition period. However, employee complaints, accident investigations or other significant incidents will result in enforcement action.

For more information on how a business can become a SHARP participant or to see a list of current participants, visit SHARP online at <http://labor.alaska.gov/lss/OSH-SHARP.htm>, or call SHARP Program Coordinator Jeff Kolean at 907-269-4953 or email Jeffrey.Kolean@Alaska.Gov.

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