

Statewide Vision for Pediatric Specialty Care

Developing a Plan for the Future Care
of Alaska's Children

All Alaska Pediatric Partnership
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Overall Goals

- Provide complex quality care as close to home as possible
- Provide a timely response to urgent specialized care, i.e., “a medical safety net for our children and their families”.
- Provide a 5+ year prospective

Why is statewide blueprint plan needed?

- Current system of subspecialty care is piece-meal and fractured
- Most of the sub-specialists are in single provider practices in the private sector with little or no relief for vacations or weekend/night time coverage
- Many of the sub-specialists are over 50 years of age with no succession plan.

Why All Alaska Pediatric Partnership to coordinate

- AAPP has since 1996 worked to improve systems of care for all Alaska's children
- AAPP has deep relationships and earned trust among partners
- AAPP has no pre-determined outcomes or financial considerations that drive this proposed blueprint.

Objectives

Through consultation with AAPP partners and affiliates

- Develop a consensus opinion of shared vision that will assist
 - (1) Recruitment and retention of needed specialized health care providers and
 - (2) Understanding financial challenges that will lead to financial for Alaska's children.
- Develop a statewide financial blueprint that gives institutions foundation for their planning.

Chosen Vendor for this project

- Kurt Solomon Associates (KSA) has been chosen after a nationwide call for responses to proposal for statewide blueprint.
- The firm has a proven track record of understanding the goals and objectives of sub-specialty care models.
- Prior customers including Seattle Children's, Children's of Boston, Children's of Philadelphia and Oregon Health Sciences University.

KSA's proposal

Completed in three steps

SITUATIONAL ASSESSMENT

- Interviews with key stakeholders; detailed market and demographic analyses; profile of supply, distribution and productivity. Deliverables include future projections.

ASSESSMENT OF SUBSPECIALTY REQUIREMENTS

- Deliverables include data standards by which demand can be determined, community need based on centralized model.

DEFINE DISTRIBUTIONAL MODEL

- Select the criteria and deliver a distribution model.