Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

Telehealth Network

The Alaska Tribal Health System (ATHS) is a voluntary affiliation of 30 Alaska Native Tribes and Tribal organizations providing health services to more than 150,000 Alaska Native and American Indian people across the state. Each Tribal organization is autonomous and serves a specific geographical area.

The ATHS telehealth network is connected across the state of Alaska to provide both live video and “store and forward” access to health care. The telehealth network consists of more than:

- 200 telemedicine access locations
- 6 hospitals
- 30 regional hubs for care
- 9 community health centers

Specialty health care clinics available by live video teleconference throughout Alaska include:

- Oncology
- Cardiology
- Pediatric Endocrinology
- Pediatric Speech Language Pathology
- Endocrinology
- Pulmonology
- HIV/Early Intervention Services
- General Internal Medicine
- Infectious Disease
- Neurology
- Dermatology
- Emergency Department Services
- Gastroenterology
- Hepatitis
- Nephrology
- Diabetes
- Rheumatology
- Ear, Nose, Throat
- OB/GYN
- Primary Care
- Adolescent Medicine (care delivered by Seattle Childrens Hospital)
- Breast Cancer Screening (care delivered by Mayo Clinic)

Store and forward (asynchronous) telehealth is the backbone of our program. In 2014 there were:

- More than 41,000 telehealth cases
- More than 1,500 health care providers using the AFHCAN system
- Approximately $8,700,000 in travel costs avoided