

# **AAP Receives Accreditation**

The Anchorage Alcoholism Programs, under the guidance of the Greater Anchorage Area Borough Health Department's Alcoholism Services Division, has received official accreditation as a Community Comprehensive Alcoholism Program, the first in Alaska.

According to Ed Stewart, alcoholism program manager for the GAAB Health Department, a consortium of alcoholism programs in Anchorage applied earlier this year to the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH), Psychiatric Facilities Division, a private non-profit group headquartered in the United States for this accreditation.

The JCAH Division of Alcoholism for evaluation and accreditation of alcoholism treatment and service facilities and staff, under the direction of Uwe Gunnersen, is responsible for certifying alcoholism treatment and service facilities.