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FAIRBANKS — The March of Dimes has donated \$20,933 to the University of Alaska, to be used to conduct birth defects clinics in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and outlying areas.

The grant goes to Dr. Jon M. Aase, M.D., of Anchorage, to continue a "Birth Defects Medical Service Program." The program was begun last year with an \$18,597 grant from the March of Dimes, the first medical services grant received in Alaska from the March of Dimes.

Aase is a medical associate with the University of Alaska's WAMI program, which allows a small number of students to begin medical training here, completing it at the University of Washington.

The grant will fund clinics throughout the state for diagnosis, counseling and therapeutic guidance for children with birth defects.

Under the terms of the grant, Aase will also participate in existing clinics for handicapped children conducted by state, federal and private agencies, and provide some educational service for health professionals and lay groups on genetics and congenital abnormalities.

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