Health Services

For Alaska

Program to bring health services to Alaska will be continued under the terms of a grant by the Office of Economic Opportunity Senator Ted Stevens announced.

The Alaska Republican said the \$2,289,257 one year grant will go to the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc., of Anchorage the program was first funded by OEO in May of 1969.

This project working in close coordination with the Alaska Native Health Service will continue to develop and operate an extensive medical assistant training program for Village Health Aides.

Most of the program is concentrated in the poor rural areas of Western Alaska.

Health programs are carried on in the Yukon-Kuskokwim (Bethel), Norton Sound (Nome), Tanana Chief's Conference (Fair banks) and Kotzebue areas.

The program cooperates with the Alaska Native Health Service, the Alaska Medical Association, Alaska Department of Health and Welfare, the Regional Medical Program, Comprehensive Health Planning Program, the Alaska Rural Community Action Agency and the Department of Defense.