

Second Phase—

Health Conference

Last Dec. 12, 13 and 14, 1973, the First Annual State-wide Seminar on Rural Health was sponsored by the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc., Health Affairs Division.

The main objective of the seminar was to identify and prioritize the health needs of the Alaska Natives.

An annual goal developed as a result of the seminar was for the regions to be able to effectively participate in the planning and budgetary process for the health services rendered to Alaska Native people.

On Oct. 20, 21 and 22, 1974, the AFN, Inc., Health Affairs Division will sponsor the Second Phase of the Rural Health Con-

ference.

This seminar will evolve around a special project the AFN, Inc., Health Affairs Division has undertaken.

The project is developing a statewide policy statement "to identify the long-range objectives of the Alaska Natives in terms of scope, organization, and management of the health resources which serve them. This would allow evaluation of various alternative ways of changing the present methods of defining health needs and responding to them; including roles to be played by the federal and state governments, by AFN, Inc., by the non-profit regional corporations, and by the health corporations."