

Local sobriety center officially opens

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation opened "Jake's Place" in Dillingham May 26, 1993. Local residents christened the new, 16-bed transitional care facility which provides support services for individuals entering or exiting a residential substance abuse treatment center. Funding and equipment was provided by the Health Corporation, HUD's Community Block Grant Program and the state's Division of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse. Jake's Place was named after Nicholas D. "Jake" Gregory, a Yupik/Greek who died of alcoholism in 1979 at age of 64. Gregory was known for his continuous battle for sobriety and was very verbal about the devastating effects of alcohol.

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