

For Health Corporations—

Funds Tapped for Health

The Health Affairs staff in the last month has been working on a supplemental grant from the Community Health Service for one-time expenditures. The supplemental proposal was submitted to Community Health Services in Washington, D.C., on April 9 in the amount of \$250,114 by Carl Jack, Director, Health Affairs Division. Upon approval of the supplemental grant to AFN, Inc., the funds will be distributed to the regions' respective health corporations for the following purposes:

NORTON SOUND HEALTH CORPORATION — for Board training; village health education; equipment for Health Aide training; eye care program; start the alcoholic and nutrition-education projects.

KOTZEBUE AREA HEALTH CORPORATION — to equip the

Hope Center, an alcoholic rehabilitation center, which KAHC will be administering; equipment for the village-built clinics; equipment for eye aide program; equipment for the health corporation office and service unit hospital; and full Board training workshops.

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE — to equip the four sub-regional centers in Tok, McGrath, Ft. Yukon, and Galena; travel and per diem for sub-regional directors and field health assistants.

BRISTOL BAY AREA HEALTH CORPORATION — to purchase video tape equipment for village health awareness programs.

KODIAK ISLAND NATIVE HEALTH CORPORATION — to equip the newly-developed health corporation office and equipment for the health center at Port Lions.

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH

— to equip the office for the newly-formed Inupiat Health Board of the North Slope and provide funds for research, legal work, and training of Board members.

ALEUT LEAGUE — to purchase portable X-ray units and microscopes for the Unalaska clinic.

The grant award to AFN, Inc., is hopefully expected to be approved within the next two weeks.

Additionally, the staff is working on various proposals to the Regional Medical Program to fund the Second Annual Conference on Rural Health; development of a health entity in the Chugach region; funds to develop a master Health Aide curriculum which could be used by the health corporations for health aide training; and feasibility study to include Native foods at public institutions.