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OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

TO:	Triptaa Surve
	Department of Health and Social Services
FROM:	April Simpson, Office of the Lieutenant Governor
DATE:	July 31, 2019
RE:	Filed Permanent Regulations: Department of Health and Social Services
	Department of Health and Social Services Regulation re: Alaska Pioneers' Homes: Rates and Levels of Service (7 AAC 74.010990)

Attorney General File:	2019200185
Regulation Filed:	7/31/2019
Effective Date:	8/30/2019
Print:	231, October 2019

cc with enclosures:

Linda Miller, Department of Law Judy Herndon, LexisNexis

ORDER ADOPTING CHANGES TO REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

The attached six pages of regulations, dealing with 7 AAC 74. AK Pioneers' Homes, Rates & Levels of Service, are adopted and certified to be a correct copy of the regulation changes that the Department of Health & Social Services adopts under the authority of AS 47.55.010, AS 47.55.020, AS 47.55.030, AS 47.55.035, AS 47.55.070, and AS 47.55.095, and after compliance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), specifically including notice under AS 44.62.190 and 44.62.200 and opportunity for public comment under AS 44.62.210.

This action is not expected to require an increased appropriation.

In considering public comments, the Department of Health & Social Services paid special attention to the cost to private persons of the regulatory action being taken.

The regulation changes adopted under this order take effect on the 30th day after they have been filed by the lieutenant governor, as provided in AS 44.62.180.

Date:

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Assistant Commissioner, Department of Health & Social Services

FILING CERTIFICATION April Simpson for Kevin Meyer I, [name of lieutenant governor], Lieutenant Governor for the State of Alaska, certify that on <u>Twing 31</u>, 2019, at <u>II:59</u> m., I filed the attached regulations according to the provisions of AS 44.62.040 - 44.62.120.

Effective: <u>August 30, 2019</u>.

Register: 231, October 2019.

FOR DELEGATION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S AUTHORITY

I, KEVIN MEYER, LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALASKA, designate the following state employees to perform the Administrative Procedures Act filing functions of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor:

> Josh Applebee, Chief of Staff Kady Levale, Notary Administrator April Simpson, Regulations and Initiatives Specialist

> > IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed the Seal of the State of Alaska, in Juneau, on December 11th, 2018.



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KEVIN MEYER LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR





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LIMITED DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTING REGULATIONS

I, Adam Crum, Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, under AS 44.17.010, delegate the authority and responsibility for adopting regulations of the Department of Health and Social Services under the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act dealing with the Alaska Pioneers' Home, 7 AAC 74, during the period from today, July 30, 2019, through 5:00 p.m. on August 2, 2019, to Sana Efird, Assistant Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.

Date: 07/30/2019

Adam Crum, Commissioner

7 AAC 74.010(c) is repealed and readopted to read:

(c) The service levels provided at a pioneers' home are as follows:

(1) level I services include housing, meals, emergency assistance, opportunities for recreation, and required transportation for recreation;

(2) level II services include level I services, medication management, and assistance with up to two activities of daily living; for assistance with activities of daily living, the resident performs the majority of the effort; during the night shift, the resident is independent in performing activities of daily living and capable of self-supervision;

(3) level III services are services where the resident provides the majority of the effort for assistance with activities of daily living; during the night shift, the resident is generally independent, with occasional assistance with activities of daily living, limited to an average of two times per week. The level III services include level I services, medication management, and any one of the following:

(A) assistance with up to four activities of daily living;

(B) level II and behavior management, excluding complex behaviors; or

(C) level II and nursing services as described in AS 47.33.020;

(4) level IV services are services in which assistance provided by a staff member includes hands-on assistance, with the staff member performing the majority of the effort; services will be provided 24 hours a day. The level IV services include level I services, assistance with five or more activities of daily living, medication management, and one of the following:

(A) behavior management, excluding complex behaviors; or

(B) nursing services as described in AS 47.33.020;

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(5) level V services include all services that exceed level IV services;

(6) day services include services provided in a pioneers' home to a recipient who requires level III or IV services for up to eight hours a day between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., including meals scheduled during the period the recipient is receiving day services;

(7) respite services include room and board provided in a pioneers' home to a recipient who requires level III or level IV services for up to 14 consecutive days, 24 hours a day.

(Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; am <u>8 / 30 / 2019</u>, Register <u>231</u>)

Authority: AS 47.55.010 AS 47.55.020

7 AAC 74.025 is amended to read:

7 AAC 74.025. Rates. (a) To [PARTIALLY] compensate the state for the cost of services, the monthly rate charged a resident, in addition to ancillary charges as prescribed by the department, for the appropriate level of service described in <u>7 AAC 74.010(c)(1) - (5)</u> [7 AAC 74.010(c)(1) - (3)] is as follows:

(1) level I services: <u>\$3,623</u> [\$2,588];

(2) level II services: <u>\$6,569</u> [\$4,692];

(3) level III services: <u>\$11,185</u> [\$6,795];

(4) level IV services: \$13,333;

(5) level V services: 15,000.

7 AAC 74.025(b) 15 amended to read to (b) To [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1997, TO PARTIALLY] compensate the state for the cost

of day services described in <u>7 AAC 74.010(c)(6)</u> [7 AAC 74.010(c)(4)], or respite services

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described in <u>7 AAC 74.010(c)(7)</u> [7 AAC 74.010(c)(5)], that are provided under 7 AAC 74.020, the daily rates are as follows:

(1) day services: <u>\$161</u> [\$70];

(2) respite services: <u>\$322</u> [\$100]. (Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; am 7/1/2009, Register 190; am 3/8/2012, Register 201; am 2/1/2016, Register 217; am 4/1/2017, Register 221; am <u>8 / 30 / 2019</u>, Register <u>231</u>)

 Authority:
 AS 47.55.010
 AS 47.55.020
 AS 47.55.030

7 AAC 74.040(a) is amended to read:

(a) Every resident and recipient shall pay the appropriate monthly or daily rate if financially able to do so. <u>Every applicant and resident shall provide income and resource</u> <u>verification to the department before admission, annually while residing in a pioneers'</u> <u>home, and if there is a change in the level of service. The department will use the income</u> <u>and resource verification to determine the ability of the applicant and resident to pay and</u> <u>evaluate eligibility for other assistance.</u>

7 AAC 74.040(e) is amended to read:

(e) To meet the requirement of (d) of this section, the person shall complete any forms necessary to apply for [MAKE APPLICATION UNDER] the programs specified in (d)(1) - (4) department⁻
of this section within 60 days of a request from the Division. If the person is unable to complete those forms, the department may designate staff to complete the forms on the person's behalf. (Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; Register 171; am 12/31/2005, Register 176; am
8 / 30 / 2019, Register 231)

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 Authority:
 AS 47.55.010
 AS 47.55.030
 AS 47.55.070

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7 AAC 74.045(c)(1)(D)(iv) is amended to read:

(iv) notwithstanding (ii) of this subparagraph, the department will consider the following to be disregarded personal property: the portion of the resident's or recipient's income that will bring the income of the resident's or recipient's spouse up to <u>the maximum community spouse monthly</u> <u>maintenance allowance authorized under 7 AAC 100.560(a), without</u> <u>exceeding that allowance</u>, [\$2,000 A MONTH], if that portion is accumulated as personal property in an account to pay for expenses related to the home or real property described in (i) of this subparagraph and if the spouse's income would otherwise be less than <u>the maximum community spouse monthly maintenance</u> <u>allowance</u> [\$2,000] a month; and

(Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; am 10/15/2004, Register 172; am 12/31/2005, Register 176; am 3/8/2012, Register 201; am <u>8 / 30 / 2019</u>, Register <u>231</u>) Authority: AS 47.55.010 AS 47.55.020 AS 47.55.030

7 AAC 74.060(f)(7) is amended to read:

(7) require an applicant who is transferred to the inactive waiting list under (6) of this subsection to remain on that list for at least <u>180</u> [90] days before applying for a transfer to the active waiting list under (5) of this subsection.

(Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; am 3/8/2012, Register 201; am 8 / 30 / 2019, Register 231)

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Authority: AS 47.55.010 AS 47.55.020

7 AAC 74.990(a) is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

(21) "behavior management" means non-pharmacological staffing assistance to structure the environment, increase safety, and decrease triggers of maladaptive behavior for a person who can no longer regulate their own behavior due to the dementia-disease process, but excludes complex behaviors.

(22) "complex behaviors" means those behaviors exhibited by a resident of Alaska that is sixty-five years old or older with a primary diagnosis of dementia and related disorders, with the level of severity described in this paragraph. The dementia must significantly affect the person's orientation to time and place, and the person's ability to start or finish activities of daily living. The person must have difficulty articulating their basic needs and must display behavior that includes neglect of self or harm to self or others that is not purposeful or planned, but is reactive to the environment and caused by the dementia disease process;

(23) "level IV services" means services described in 7 AAC 74.010(c)(4);

(24) "level V services" means services described in 7 AAC 74.010(c)(5);

(25) "maximum community spouse monthly maintenance allowance" has the meaning given in 7 AAC 100.560(a);

(26) "nursing services" means nursing duties under 12 AAC 44.970 that require the exercise of professional nursing knowledge or judgment, or complex nursing skills that must not be delegated. (Eff. 8/1/2004, Register 171; am 3/8/2012, Register 201; am $\frac{9}{30}/\frac{2019}{2019}$, Register $\frac{231}{30}$)

Authority: AS 47.55.010 AS 47.55.030 AS 47.55.095

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AS 47.55.020 AS 47.55.070

MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Kevin Meyer Lieutenant Governor

State of Alaska Department of Law

Date: July 31 2019

File No.: 2019200185

Tel. No.: 465-3600

Re: Department of Health and Social Services Regulation re: 7 AAC 74.010 - .990: Alaska Pioneers' Homes: Rates and Levels of Service

The Department of Law has reviewed the attached regulations of the Department of Health and Social Services against the statutory standards of the Administrative Procedure Act. Based upon our review, we find no legal problems. This memorandum constitutes the written statement of approval under AS 44.62.060(b) and (c) that authorizes your office to file the attached regulations. The regulations were adopted by the Department of Health and Social Services after the close of the public comment period. The regulations concern levels of care, rates for residents, financial verification, application requirements, the community spouse allowance for individuals applying for payment assistance, and the amount of time before returning to the active waiting list. *The client requests these be filed in order to be in effect by September 1, 2019.*

The April 9, 2019, public notice, the April 16, 2019, supplemental notice, and the July 30, 2019, adoption order state that this action is not expected to require an increased appropriation. Therefore, a fiscal note under AS 44.62.195 is not required.

In addition to the normal regulatory requirements, an amendment of the regulations setting the rates at the Pioneer Homes has additional requirements under AS 47.55.030. These additional requirements include that the department must provide written notice of the proposed rate change to all residents of the home and that the department must hold an oral hearing to accept comments regarding the proposed change. The notice provided to residents must be provided at least 60 days before the regulation change is adopted, the notice must give notice of the oral hearing, and the oral hearing must occur at least 30 days before the change is adopted. It appears that all of these requirements were met in this case. An Affidavit of Providing Notice to Residents, which includes a copy of the letter sent to residents on April 18, 2019, is included showing that these requirements have been met. Further, the department held a public hearing on this regulation change on May 28, 2019, at Pioneers' Homes locations across the state connected by teleconference.

From: Susan R. Pollard Chief Assistant Attorney General and Regulations Attorney Legislation and Regulations Section We have made some technical corrections to conform the regulations in accordance with AS 44.62.125. The corrections are shown on the attached copy of the regulations.

SRP:sjw

 cc: Honorable Adam Crum, Commissioner Department of Health and Social Services
 Sana Efird, Assistant Commissioner Department of Health and Social Services
 Clinton Lasley, Director, Division of Alaska Pioneer Homes Department of Health and Social Services
 Triptaa Surve, Regulations Contact Department of Health and Social Services
 Alex Hildebrand, Assistant Attorney General Department of Law

AFFIDAVIT OF PROVIDING NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

I, Clinton Lasley, Division Director, for the Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Alaska Pioneer Homes, being duly sworn, state the following:

In compliance with AS 47.55.030, the Department of Health and Social Services has provided written notice to all residents of the Alaska Pioneers' Homes of the proposed change in 7 AAC 74.010, 7 AAC 74.025, 7AAC 74.040, 7 AAC 74.045, 7 AAC 74.060, and 7 AAC 74.060, changing levels of service, increasing the monthly rates charged for care, payments for services, payment assistance, admission and discharge, and definitions. Not less than 60 days before adoption of the regulations, written notice of the proposed change was provided to the residents in a letter on April 11, 2019, a copy of which is attached to this affidavit as Exhibit A. This written notice included the time, date, and place of the oral hearing that occurred in compliance with AS 47.55.030(d) on May 28, 2019, at 1 p.m., not less than 30 days before adoption of the regulations, in order to allow residents and interested parties to submit written or oral testimony, statements, arguments, or contentions related to the proposed rate change.

Date: 7/18/19

Clinton Lasley, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at ______

July 18, 2019 (date)

on

Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska





Department of Health and Social Services

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April 18, 2019

Notice of proposed regulation change:

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Oral or written comments also may be submitted at a hearing to be held on May 28, 2019. The hearing will be held at the six Pioneer Homes and telephonically. The hearing will be held from

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1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and might be extended to accommodate those present before 2:30 p.m. who did not have an opportunity to comment. Those parties who would like to submit verbal comments at the hearing must be present by 2:30 p.m. and sign up before 2:30 p.m. via (1) the Pioneer Home from where they participate or (2) via email to alaskapioneerhomes@alaska.gov if they choose to participate from a non-Pioneer Home location. To participate in the public hearing, please, go to one of the six Pioneer Homes or call 1-888-227-5857.

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□ Alaska Veterans and Pioneers Home, 250 E Fireweed Ave., Palmer, AK 99645-6638

□ Sitka Pioneer Home, 120 Katlian St., Sitka, AK 99835-7525

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Mr. Clinton Lasley, at clinton.lasley@alaska.gov, or at 333 Willoughby Avenue, Suite 757, Juneau, AK 99801. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Health & Social Services will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and response available on http://dhss.alaska.gov/daph/Pages/default.aspx and the Alaska Online Public Notice System at https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/default.aspx .

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Ms. Emily Palmer, at emily palmer@alaska.gov, or at (907) 465-2160 not later than May 15, 2019, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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Fiscal information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

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Sincerely,

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Clinton Lasley Division Director

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON THE ALASKA PIONEERS' HOMES RATES & LEVELS OF SERVICE, IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Health & Social Services proposes to change regulations on the rates charged to residents, levels of service, payment assistance, and admission to an Alaska Pioneers' Home.

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DATE: MM/ 9, 1/19.

Adam Crum Commissioner, Department of Health & Social Services

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Adam Crum Commissioner, Department of Health & Social Services

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON THE ALASKA PIONEERS' HOMES RATES & LEVELS OF SERVICE, IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Health & Social Services proposes to change regulations on the rates charged to residents, levels of service, payment assistance, and admission to an Alaska Pioneers' Home.

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ADDITIONAL REGULATION NOTICE INFORMATION (AS 44.62.190(d))

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- 2. General subject of regulation: <u>Alaska Pioneers' Homes, Rates & Levels of Service</u>
- 3. Citation of regulation (may be grouped): <u>7 AAC 74.010</u>, .025, .040, .045, .060, .990.
- 4. Department of Law file number, if any: <u>2019200185</u>
- 5. Reason for the proposed action:
 - () Compliance with federal law or action (identify):
 - (X) Compliance with new or changed state statute
 - () Compliance with federal or state court decision (identify):
 - (X) Development of program standards
 - (X) Other (identify): <u>Increase rates, align payment assistance with Medicaid long term care standards.</u>

- 6. Appropriation/Allocation: <u>N/A</u>
- 7. Estimated annual cost to comply with the proposed action to: A private person: Level I= \$43,476, Level II= \$78,828, Level III= \$134,220, Level IV= \$159,999.96, Level V= \$180,000. Another state agency: 0. A municipality: 0.
- 8. Cost of implementation to the state agency and available funding (in thousands of dollars): 0.

	Initial Year	Subsequent
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Operating Cost	\$	\$
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1004 General fund	\$	\$
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Other (identify)	\$	\$

9. The name of the contact person for the regulation:

Name: Clinton Lasley

AFFIDAVIT OF NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION AND FURNISHING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I, Clinton Lasley, Director, of the Department of Health & Social Services, being sworn, state the following:

As required by AS 44.62.190, notice of the proposed adoption of changes to 7 AAC 74. AK Pioneers' Homes, Rates & Levels of Service, has been given by being

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- (3) furnished to appropriate state officials;
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- (6) furnished electronically to incumbent State of Alaska legislators;

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As required by AS 44.62.190, additional regulation notice information regarding the proposed adoption of the regulation changes described above has been furnished to interested persons and those in (2), (4) and (6) of the list above. The additional regulation notice information also has been posted on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Date:

Clinton Lasley, Directo

Subscribed and sworn to before me at

on (date)

Notary Public in and for the State of Alaska



AFFIDAVIT OF ORAL HEARING

I, Clinton Lasley, Director, of the Department of Health & Social Services, being sworn, state the following:

On May 28, 2019, at 1 p.m., in the 5th floor Tundra Lounge of the Anchorage Pioneer Home, 923 West 11th Avenue, Anchorage AK 99501, I presided over a public hearing held under AS 44.62.210 for the purpose of taking testimony in connection with the adoption of changes to 7 AAC 74. AK Pioneers' Homes, Rates & Levels of Service.

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