DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES



PROPOSED CHANGES TO REGULATIONS HEALTH FACILITY EMPLOYEE TUBERCULOSIS SCREENING & TESTING

• 7 AAC 12.650. Facilities & Local Units; Employee health program.

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Please see the public notice for details about how to comment on these proposed changes.

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Notes to reader:

- 1. Except as discussed in note 2, new text that amends an existing regulation is **bolded and underlined**.
- 2. If the lead-in line above the text of each section of the regulations states that a new section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being added, or that an existing section, subsection, paragraph, or subparagraph is being repealed and readopted (replaced), *the new or replaced text is not bolded or underlined*.
- 3. [ALL-CAPS TEXT WITHIN BRACKETS] indicates text that is to be deleted.
- 4. When the word "including" is used, Alaska Statutes provide that it means "including, but not limited to."
- 5. Only the text that is being changed within a section of the current regulations is included in this draft. Refer to the text of that whole section, published in the current Alaska Administrative Code, to determine how a proposed change relates within the context of the whole section and the whole chapter.

Title 7 Health and Social Services. Chapter 12. Facilities and Local Units.

7 AAC 12.650. Employee health program.

7 AAC 12.650(a)(1) is repealed and readopted to read:

(a) A facility must establish and maintain an employee health program that

(1) provides tuberculosis education, screening, testing, evaluation, and treatment in accordance with the *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Tuberculosis Screening and Testing of Health Care Personnel*, as amended from time to time, and adopted by reference; baseline tuberculosis screening and testing for a new employee must occur before the employee's first day of employment;

(Eff. 11/19/83, Register 88; am 7/17/87, Register 103; am 5/24/2007, Register 182; am 9/30/2007, Register 183; am___/____, Register____)

Authority: AS 18.05.040 AS 47.32.010 AS 47.32.030

Editor's note: The most recent version of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendations for *Tuberculosis Screening and Testing of Health Care Personnel* can be accessed at https://www.cdc.gov/tb/topic/testing/healthcareworkers.htm.