

# Department of Administration

## Health Care Authority Feasibility Study



# A Few Reminders for Participants

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# Study Overview

- In 2016, SB 74 Medicare Reform directed Department of Administration (DOA) to procure a study evaluating the feasibility of a Health Care Authority.
- SB 74 requires the study to:
  - Identify cost-saving strategies that a health care authority could implement;
  - Analyze local government participation in the authority;
  - Analyze a phased approach to adding groups to the health care plans coordinated by the health care authority;
  - Consider previous studies procured by the Department of Administration and the legislature;
  - Assess the use of community-related health insurance risk pools and the use of the private marketplace;
  - Identify organizational models for a health care authority, including private for-profit, private nonprofit, government, and state corporations; and
  - Include a public review and comment opportunity for employers, employees, medical assistance recipients, retirees, and health care providers.

# Study Outline

- Study evaluates health benefits funded directly or indirectly by the state for the following groups:
  - Medicaid
  - State of Alaska retirees (PERS, JRS and TRS)
  - Employees in the following groups:
    - State of Alaska (all bargaining groups)
    - School districts
    - University of Alaska
    - State corporations
    - Political subdivisions
    - Other groups that would benefit from participation (e.g. individual market)
- Goal is to see if there are opportunities to create savings through greater efficiencies.
- Evaluate opportunities for consolidated purchasing strategies and coordinated plan administration.

# Study Contractors

## ➤ Contractors:

- PRM Consulting Group (PRM) - survey collection, data analysis, phase 1 & phase 2 findings focusing on public employee benefits
- Mark A. Foster Associates (MAFA) – peer-review, Alaska specific market analysis & opportunities
- Pacific Health Policy Group Consulting (PHPG) - Medicaid technical assistance and analysis
- Agnew::Beck – public comment and review process

# Important Dates

## Timeline:

- August 30, 2017 PRM, PHPG, MAFA reports released
- September 1, 2017 Public comment process opens
- September 7, 2017 PRM webinar (12:30pm – 1:30pm)
- September 11, 2017 PHPG webinar (2:00pm – 3:00pm)
- September 13, 2017 MAFA webinar (2:30pm – 3:00pm)
- October 30, 2017 Public comment process closes
- December 4, 2017 Report addendum released

# Public Comment

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Public comments can be submitted in writing via email or hard copy to:  
*Attention Department of Administration, Commissioners Office*

Email: AlaskaHCA@alaska.gov

Hard Copy: 550 W 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1970, Anchorage, AK 99501

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# Participant Questions

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Please type your question in the box provided to the right.

*If you'd like a specific person to answer, please indicate their name or organization.*

We will answer as many questions as possible today, and post written responses to questions after the webinar series.



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