



March 27, 2009

Dear Provider;

I would like to take this opportunity to announce the Mini-Grant program for individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia. Enclosed you will find a Mini-Grant application. Beneficiaries are eligible to receive up to \$2,500 for items that directly improve quality of life and/or increase independent functioning. Items can include dental care, vision or hearing services, medical supplies, accessibility improvements, and adaptive equipment. The program is funded by the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority.

To be eligible, the beneficiary must have a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's related dementia, stroke-related dementia, Lewy Body dementia, Pick's disease, or other progressive memory disorder. In addition, the item/service may not be covered by any other funding source (Medicare, Medicaid, Choice Medicaid Waiver). Along with a completed application, the applicant must submit an **estimate** for the desired item/service to the Alzheimer's Disease Resource Agency of Alaska; 1750 Abbott Road; Anchorage, AK 99507. The fax number is 907-561-3315.

Please contact John Hoffman for additional information. He can be reached at 907-561-3313. You can also access the mini-grant application online at www.alzaska.org.

Sincerely,

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