What full-time students and their families need to know about health care funding when they are attending school outside Alaska.

Other Alaska Purchased/Referred Care Programs that provide coverage to students outside Alaska:

- **Annette Island Health Center**
  Metlakatla Indian Community
  PO: Box 439
  Metlakatla, AK 99926
  (907) 886-6601

- **Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center**
  1717 West Cowles Street
  Fairbanks, AK 99701
  (907) 451-6682
  1-800-478-6682

- **Ketchikan Indian Corporation**
  429 Deermount Avenue
  Ketchikan, AK 99901
  (907) 225-5158
**What is Purchased/Referred Care?**

Formerly known as Contract Health Services, Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) is a benefit to Alaska Native and American Indian people that provides funding for referred medical services not available at the Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC). ANMC PRC’s policies and procedures may allow us to assist with the cost of medical services received from non-ANMC facilities.

The student program provides authorization for acute, urgent and emergent medical needs for students, spouse and legal dependents.

**Who is eligible?**

Alaska Native and American Indian spouses and legal dependents who temporarily leave their permanent residence in Alaska to attend programs of vocational, technical or academic study on a full-time basis and are identified as:

- Alaska Native and American Indian enrolled members, or descendants of a federally recognized Tribe who have provided ANMC with their proof of eligibility.

- Non-Alaska Native and American Indian women pregnant with an eligible Alaska Native and American Indian man’s child for services affecting the pregnancy and postpartum care.

- Children of eligible Alaska Native and American Indians, including non-Alaska Native and American Indian foster children, adopted children, stepchildren, legal wards or orphans, until age 19.

Students whose permanent residence is in the service area of *Tanana Chiefs Conference, Ketchikan Indian Community* or *Metlakatla Indian Community* should seek coverage through their respective PRC program.

**What is the process and coverage?**

Provide ANMC PRC the following at the start of each school year:

- A notarized official letter from the school verifying the student’s full-time attendance.

- Current patient registration worksheet with current mailing address and telephone number while going to school outside Alaska.

Students are encouraged to purchase and use school health insurance when available. In most cases, the benefits are excellent and the cost is minimal. Student funding for health care includes normal breaks up to 180 days after the completion of the semester. Once the student has graduated or discontinues full-time status outside Alaska, medical coverage is limited to emergency care for a period up to 180 days.

**What is the approval process?**

- Report all medical services to the ANMC PRC office. A relative, friend or provider may notify ANMC PRC on your behalf.

- To receive payment authorization, please provide medical records to ANMC PRC.

Preauthorize all dental services for payment before treatment by calling the Area Dental Office at (907) 729-5602 or the PRC office at 1-800-478-1636, extension 3641.

**Things to do before leaving Alaska**

- Take care of routine medical and dental needs: school physicals, immunizations, vision examinations, birth control, dental care, etc.

For help locating an Indian Health Service facility near you, contact ANMC PRC at (907) 729-2470 or toll free 1-800-478-1636.

If you have questions related to eligibility or if the service you need is covered, visit www.anmc.org/prc.