



Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium

Community Health Aide Program

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Dear Tribal Health Directors:

This letter is written to provide notification of the impending expiration of the paper 2006 edition of the Alaska Community Health Aide/Practitioner Manual (CHAM). In May 2014, the CHAP Certification Board voted and agreed to sunset the 2006 CHAM effective December 31, 2014. Beginning January 1, 2015 Community Health Aides/Practitioners (CHA/Ps) will be required to use one of the four versions of the electronic Alaska Community Health Aide/Practitioner Manual-eCHAM (website, iOS App on the iPad, eBook or PDF).

Online eCHAM classes have been made available throughout 2014. If you have CHA/Ps who have not had the opportunity to take an eCHAM course, please provide us with a list or have the CHA/Ps email us directly at echam@anthc.org. They will be invited to one of the makeup courses which will be offered January 7, 8; January 14, 15; January 21, 22; January 28, 29 from 9am-1pm (must attend a Wednesday and Thursday session for full training). eCHAM users may also review the training materials and videos available on our informational website at <http://www.echam.org/eCHAMUsers.aspx#TrainingMaterials>.

The eCHAM may be accessed at <https://access.echam.org>. The iOS app is now available through the Apple App Store by searching eCHAM, iCHAM, CHAP or ANTHC with regular updates being made available as various bugs are resolved. Notification for updates will come via the Apple App Store. The eBook is available at <https://access.echam.org/eCHAM.epub>. The PDF will be made available shortly after the 2nd revision release on December 31, 2014.

All regional pharmacies, training centers and CHAP directors will be notified of the revisions made to the eCHAM no later than four weeks prior to the release of a new revision. Revision information can be found at <http://www.echam.org/eCHAMUsers.aspx#TrainingMaterials> as well and is categorized by date of revision release. With each revision, we will provide a summary, a detailed report and a Powerpoint presentation outlining the changes made to the eCHAM.

For any questions regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact me at rimoorepazdernik@anthc.org or 907-491-0898. If you require assistance with setting up accounts or signing up for training, please contact our eCHAM Program Administrator, Tasha Hotch at tjhotch@anthc.org or 907-729-5618.

Many thanks for your time and consideration in this matter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Moore Pazdernik, PA-C".

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