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TO:

Heidi Hedberg, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Health

FROM:

Robert Lawrence, MD, MA

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SUBJECT: Alaska Vaccine Assessment Program – 2025 Assessment Rates

The Alaska Vaccine Assessment Program (AVAP) Advisory Council met on September 12, 2024 to form its recommendations for the 2025 AVAP monthly child and adult assessment rates.

AS 18.09.210(a) provides that the "State Vaccine Assessment is established in the department for the purpose of determining the amount of vaccine assessments made by the Commissioner to be paid by assessable entities and other program participants in the state under procedures established by the Council." The Council voted unanimously to recommend the following rates for 2025:

Per-Member, Per-Month Cost

1. Pediatric population assessment

\$10.79

2. Adult population assessment

\$1.49

For reference, the 2024 AVAP child and adult assessment rates were \$14.89 per child per month and \$3.71 per adult per month.

The statute provides that these numbers will be established by the Commissioner based on the recommendation of the Council. If you wish to approve the recommended rates, we have included a line below for your signature to adopt these recommendations. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Once the rates are approved, we will instruct KidsVax® to publish them to www.akvaccine.org, notify assessment payers, and update the assessment system accordingly.

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