

## Disability Rights Legal Center

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## Cancer Legal Resource Center

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## State Appendices: Alaska Resources

This appendix provides state-specific resources relevant to each chapter of *The HCP Manual: A Legal Resource Guide for Oncology Healthcare Professionals*.

### EMPLOYMENT

<p><b>For questions about the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):</b> Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 350 The Embarcadero, Suite 550 San Francisco, CA 94105-1260 (206) 220-6883 or (800) 669-4000 <a href="http://www.eeoc.gov">www.eeoc.gov</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about job accommodations:</b> Job Accommodation Network (JAN) P.O. Box 6080 Morgantown, WV 26506-6080 (800) 526-7234 or (800) ADA-WORK <a href="http://www.jan.wvu.edu">www.jan.wvu.edu</a></p>
<p><b>For questions about §503 of the Rehabilitation Act (federal contractors):</b> U.S. Dept. of Labor Office of Federal Compliance Program Frances Perkins Building, Room C-3325 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20210 (800) 397-6251 or <a href="http://www.dol.gov/esa/ofccp">www.dol.gov/esa/ofccp</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about §504 the Rehabilitation Act (federal financial assistance):</b> U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division – Disability Rights Section 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20530 (800) 514-0301 or (800) 614-0383 (TTY)</p>
<p><b>For questions about Alaska fair employment laws:</b> Alaska State Commission for Human Rights 800 A Street, Suite 204 Anchorage, AK 99501-3669 (907) 274-7474 <a href="http://www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm">www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about the practical aspects of being an employee with cancer:</b> Cancer and Careers (212) 685-5955 <a href="http://www.cancerandcareers.org">www.cancerandcareers.org</a></p>

### TAKING TIME OFF WORK

<p><b>For questions about the Family &amp; Medical Leave Act (FMLA):</b> U.S. Department of Labor - Employment Standards Administration - Wage and Hour Division 1111 Third Avenue, Suite 755 Seattle, WA 98101-3212 (206) 398-8039 or (866) 487-9243 <a href="http://www.dol.gov/esa/whd/fmla">www.dol.gov/esa/whd/fmla</a></p>	<p><b>For questions or concerns about the confidentiality of medical information:</b> Office for Civil Rights U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201 (866) 368-1019</p>
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<p><b>For questions about Alaska leave laws:</b>  Alaska State Commission for Human Rights  800 A Street, Suite 204  Anchorage, AK 99501-3669  (907) 274-7474  <a href="http://www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm">www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm</a></p>	
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## DISABILITY INSURANCE

<p><b>For private disability insurance questions:</b>  Alaska Division of Insurance  State Office Building  333 Willoughby, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  Juneau, AK 99801  (907) 465-2515  <a href="http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html">www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html</a></p>	<p><b>For Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) questions:</b>  Social Security Administration  (800) 772-1213 or <a href="http://www.ssa.gov">www.ssa.gov</a></p>
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## HEALTH INSURANCE & HEALTH CARE OPTIONS

<p><b>For insurance questions:</b>  Alaska Division of Insurance  State Office Building  333 Willoughby, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  Juneau, AK 99801  (907) 465-2515  <a href="http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/Insurance/consumer.html">www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/Insurance/consumer.html</a></p>	<p><b>For COBRA questions:</b>  U.S. Department of Labor  Employee Benefits Security Administration  1111 Third Ave., Suite 860  Seattle, WA 98101-3212  (866) 275-7922 or 206-553-4244  <a href="http://www.dol.gov/ebsa">www.dol.gov/ebsa</a></p>
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<p><b>For HIPAA questions:</b>  Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association  Aetna U.S. Health Care (plan administrator)  (888) 290-0616 or (907) 787-2209  <a href="http://www.achia.com">www.achia.com</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alaska has a high risk pool, called the Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association (ACHIA) that offers insurance for people with health conditions who are unable to buy private health insurance coverage and for people who are HIPAA eligible. ACHIA charges different rates based on age and geographic area. Under Alaska law, ACHIA rates are not allowed to be more than 200% of the amount that a healthy person would pay if he or she bought a similar plan sold by a private insurer.</li> </ul>	
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<p><b>For high risk insurance questions:</b>  Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association  (888) 290-0616 or <a href="http://www.achia.com">www.achia.com</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Cap: \$3,000,000</li> <li>Waiting Period as of 11/10: open</li> <li>Average Monthly Cost: Varies by age and deductible</li> <li>Multiple Plans: Yes</li> </ul>	<p>Federal Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP)  Alaska Comprehensive Health Insurance Association  (877) 505-0510 or <a href="http://www.achia.com">www.achia.com</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lifetime Cap: none</li> <li>Average Monthly Cost: \$434 to \$1,735</li> </ul>
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<p><b>For assistance with Medicare:</b>  Center for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)  (800) 663-4227 or <a href="http://www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a></p>	<p>State Health Insurance Assistance Program  Insurance Counseling &amp; Assistance Program  Division of Senior Services  (907) 269-3680</p>
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<p><b>For assistance with Medicaid:</b>  Center for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)  (800) 633-4227 or <a href="http://www.cms.gov">www.cms.gov</a></p>	<p>Alaska Division of Public Assistance  (907) 269-6000 or (800) 780-9972  <a href="http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid">www.hss.state.ak.us/dpa/programs/medicaid</a></p>
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## HEALTH CARE REFORM

<p><b>For information about the ACA:</b>  <a href="http://www.HealthCare.gov">www.HealthCare.gov</a></p>	<p><b>For more information on the federal Pre-Existing Condition Plan options available in each state:</b>  <a href="http://www.PCIP.gov">www.PCIP.gov</a></p>
<p><b>Kaiser Family Foundation Video, "Healthcare Reform Hits Main Street:"</b>  <a href="http://healthreform.kff.org/the-animation.aspx">http://healthreform.kff.org/the-animation.aspx</a></p>	

## GENETICS AND CANCER

<p><b>For information about GINA and the ADA with respect to employment discrimination:</b>          Equal Employment Opportunity Commission          350 The Embarcadero, Suite 550          San Francisco, CA 94105-1260          (206) 220-6883 or (800) 669-4000  <a href="http://www.eeoc.gov">www.eeoc.gov</a></p>	<p><b>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in employment:</b>          Alaska State Commission for Human Rights          800 A Street, Suite 204          Anchorage, AK 99501-3669          (907) 274-7474  <a href="http://www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm">www.gov.state.ak.us/aschr/aschr.htm</a></p>
<p><b>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in insurance:</b>          Alaska Division of Insurance          State Office Building          333 Willoughby, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor          Juneau, AK 99801          (907) 465-2515  <a href="http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html">www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html</a></p>	<p><b>For information about GINA and HIPAA with respect to health insurance:</b>          Alaska Division of Insurance          State Office Building          333 Willoughby, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor          Juneau, AK 99801          (907) 465-2515  <a href="http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html">www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html</a></p>

## MANAGING THE FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF CANCER TREATMENT

<p><b>For information about Hill-Burton facilities:</b>          Hill-Burton          (800) 638-0742  <a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm">www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm</a></p>	<p><b>To file a complaint with your health plan or request an independent medical review:</b>          Alaska Division of Insurance          State Office Building          333 Willoughby, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor          Juneau, AK 99801          (907) 465-2515  <a href="http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html">www.commerce.state.ak.us/insurance/index.html</a></p>
<p><b>To report a debt collector or file a consumer complaint:</b>          Federal Trade Commission          (877) FTC- HELP</p>	<p>Office of Attorney General          1031 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 200          Anchorage, AK 99501          (907) 269-5100 or <a href="http://www.law.state.ak.us.com">www.law.state.ak.us.com</a></p>
<p><b>For credit counseling information:</b>          Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS)          (800) 873-CCCS or <a href="http://www.cccsintl.org">www.cccsintl.org</a></p>	<p><b>For assistance with tax preparation and counseling:</b>          Volunteer Income Tax Assistance          (800) 285-2221  <a href="http://www.abanet.org/lisd/vita">www.abanet.org/lisd/vita</a></p>
<p><b>For possible legal assistance with bankruptcy:</b>          American Bar Association          (800) 285-2221  <a href="http://www.abanet.org/legalservices/lris/directory">www.abanet.org/legalservices/lris/directory</a></p>	

## ESTATE PLANNING

<b>For estate planning assistance:</b> American Bar Association Estate Planning FAQ <a href="http://www.abanet.org/rpte/public/home.html">www.abanet.org/rpte/public/home.html</a>	<b>To download a state specific AHCD:</b> National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization Caring Connections (800) 658-8898 <a href="http://www.caringinfo.org/stateadownload">www.caringinfo.org/stateadownload</a>
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## LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

<b>To find out who your U.S. Representatives are:</b> <a href="http://www.house.gov">www.house.gov</a> Capitol Switchboard (202) 224-3121	<b>To find out who your U.S. Senators are:</b> <a href="http://www.senate.gov">www.senate.gov</a> Capitol Switchboard (202) 224-3121
<b>To find information about a specific federal bill:</b> Office of Legislative Information on Capitol Hill (202) 225-7400 or <a href="http://thomas.loc.org">thomas.loc.org</a>	<b>To find information about your elected officials:</b> Vote Smart <a href="http://www.votesmart.org">www.votesmart.org</a> League of Women Voters <a href="http://www.lwv.org">www.lwv.org</a>
<b>To obtain a voter registration form:</b> <a href="http://www.fec.gov/votregis/vr.shtml">www.fec.gov/votregis/vr.shtml</a>	<b>For absentee voting information:</b> <a href="http://www.votesmart.org/voter_registration_resources.php">www.votesmart.org/voter_registration_resources.php</a>
<b>To participate in Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Advocacy Alliance efforts:</b> <a href="http://www.KomenAdvocacy.org">www.KomenAdvocacy.org</a>	<b>To participate in American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network advocacy efforts:</b> <a href="http://www.ACSCAN.org">www.ACSCAN.org</a>
<b>To participate in Lance Armstrong Foundation advocacy efforts:</b> <a href="http://www.livestrong.org">www.livestrong.org</a>	<b>To participate in Cancer Legal Resource Center advocacy efforts:</b> (213) 736-1455 or 1-866-THE-CLRC <a href="http://www.disabilityrightslegalcenter.org/about/LegislativeAdvocacy.cfm">www.disabilityrightslegalcenter.org/about/LegislativeAdvocacy.cfm</a>
<b>For information on the Help America Vote Act (HAVA):</b> <a href="http://www.fec.gov/hava/hava.htm">www.fec.gov/hava/hava.htm</a>	

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