

Alaskans should not have to live with the highest healthcare costs in the world.



Fact: Alaska has the highest cost of healthcare in the country – and the world – growing faster than anywhere else. Employers pay the majority of the cost burden, yet employers don't have a cohesive platform to address this ever increasing strain to their bottom line.

Who we are:

Alaskans for Sustainable Healthcare Costs (ASHC) is a group of Alaskan employers who are concerned about the current healthcare environment and are working together to help the community understand and find solutions to the drivers that are affecting these rising costs, which in turn, affect employee benefits expenses and individual premiums. Armed with credible information and data, the coalition gives employers a common voice.

Three areas of focus:

1 *Transparency*

When prices are displayed, consumers are informed. An informed consumer can shop amongst providers' rack rates prior to seeking services.

2 *Medevac*

Air ambulance fees have increased significantly in the last 10 years. We need the State's assistance in reducing costs of air ambulance charges.

3 *80th Percentile*

The State of Alaska's mandatory allowable charge calculated at the 80th percentile for out-of-network providers is having an adverse impact on employers' premiums.

It's time we get Alaska's healthcare costs under control.

