

# Trust

Alaska Mental Health  
Trust Authority



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## Join Our Advocacy Network

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority (Trust) and partner advisory boards maintain an online advocacy network that communicates with advocates statewide on issues impacting Trust beneficiaries (people with mental illness; substance use disorders; intellectual/developmental disabilities, including fetal alcohol spectrum disorders; Alzheimer's disease/dementia; and traumatic brain injury), their families, service providers, and administrators.

### *Participation in the Trust's Advocacy Network includes:*

- **Advocacy Alerts** – sent out at appropriate times offering information and opportunities to call in for public testimony, send emails or letters, or meet with policymakers in their home districts.
- **Talking Points** – offers bullet points about policy and funding issues that affect Trust beneficiaries.
- **Legislative Tracking Spreadsheet** – distributed during the legislative session, with weekly updates on bills and budget items moving through the legislative process (distributed Thursday nights January – April).
- **Weekly Legislative Teleconferences** – to provide updates on bills and budget items passing through the legislative process. Meets Fridays, 12:15-1:15pm, during the legislative session.

For information about legislative issues related to Trust beneficiaries,  
or to sign up for our online action network, go to:

[www.alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/jointadvocacy](http://www.alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/jointadvocacy)

Or contact Advocacy Coordinator at 907-465-4765, [advocacy.coordinator@mhtrust.org](mailto:advocacy.coordinator@mhtrust.org)