

Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc. - Alaska

Description of Tribe

“Tanana Chiefs Conference, a traditional tribal consortium of 42 villages of interior Alaska near Fairbanks, is based on a belief in tribal self-determination and the need for regional Native unity.”

Tribal population: **12,000**

Population of service area: **12,000**

Reservation: **No**

Number of children eligible for CCDF: **Not reported**

Number of children served with CCDF funds in FY 2004 in an average month: **521**

Tribe operates a child care center: **Yes**

Tribe is Head Start Grantee: **Yes**

Tribe is an Early Head Start Grantee: **Yes**

Market Rate Survey

Organization that did market rate survey: **Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc.**

Date of first survey: **Not reported**

Date of last survey: **2004**

Providers Surveyed

Data source: **Tribal database of providers including centers, family child care providers and in-home providers**

Number of providers surveyed: **Not reported**

Survey Method and Data Collected

Survey method: **Not reported**

Data collected: **Type of care provided, rates, ages, special needs**

Data Analysis and Publication

Analysis: **Descriptive summary using averages**

Publication: **Descriptive summary published in their CARES program report, completed in partnership with Alaska CARES.**

Rate Setting

Use of market rate survey findings: **Setting rates; Tribe compares tribal rates to survey findings with desire to stay near average.**

Factors used in setting rates: **Survey findings**

Survey Cost

Cost not known; tribal staff carry out the survey as a part of their job.

Additional Information

The tribe set rates in January 2005. The majority of providers do child care in their homes or the child's home and care for less than four children. The majority of children served are under three years of age. Although maximum payment levels have not increased, child care prices have increased.