

RADIO PSA

BCHC

MY NAME IS _____ BRINGING YOU THIS WEEK'S HEALTH TIP.

ALASKA'S BREAST AND CERVICAL HEALTH CHECK PROGRAM (BCHC) HAS PROVIDED OVER 78,000 HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES TO OVER 33,000 ALASKAN WOMEN SINCE 1995. DURING THAT TIME MORE THAN 230 CASES OF BREAST CANCER AND 30 CASES OF CERVICAL CANCER HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED. THIS IS IMPORTANT AS THE EARLIER ANY CANCER IS FOUND, INCLUDING BREAST AND CERVICAL CANCER THE BETTER THE CHANCES THAT TREATMENT WILL WORK.

BCHC PROVIDES BREAST AND CERVICAL HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES TO WOMEN WHO MEET CERTAIN INCOME GUIDELINES, WHO DO NOT HAVE INSURANCE, WHO CANNOT MEET THEIR INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLE, OR WHOSE INSURANCE DOESN'T PAY FOR BREAST AND CERVICAL HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR BCHC?

WOMEN AGED 21-64 YEARS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR ENROLLMENT IF THEY MEET THE PROGRAM'S INCOME GUIDELINES.

WHAT SERVICES DOES BCHC PAY FOR?

IT WILL PAY FOR CLINICAL BREAST EXAMS, PELVIC EXAMS, PAP TESTS AND SCREENING AND DIAGNOSTIC MAMMOGRAMS APPROPRIATE TO YOUR AGE AND MEDICAL HISTORY.

BUT BCHC CAN'T PAY FOR EVERYTHING. IT DOES NOT PAY FOR BIRTH CONTROL OR GENERAL BLOOD WORK.

FOR LOCAL HELP WITH ENROLLMENT CALL THE MEDICAL CENTER AT 772-4299 OR THE PUBLIC HEALTH CENTER AT 772-4611.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT SERVICES ARE COVERED FOR YOU CALL 1 800 410 6266.

THIS MESSAGE IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE PETERSBURG MEDICAL CENTER AND KFSK PETERSBURG.