Ninilchik Traditional Council Community Health Clinic Road Travel Reimbursement Policy EFFECTIVE 10-1-2011 REVISED 9/01/2012

**Road Travel Reimbursement Defined**: costs will only be covered for services that NTC Clinic cannot provide here at NTC Clinic.

The following requirements must be met in order for Ninilchik Traditional Council to pay Road Travel Reimbursement.

- Must be an eligible IHS beneficiary, non IHS spouses are not included
- Must be an active clinic user within the past 6 months (does not include lab draws or blood pressure checks, must have been seen by a provider ) and have lived in the Ninilchik Tribal boundaries for at least one year, does not include Homer
- If you become ill during clinic hours, you must be seen at the clinic. If you become ill when you
  are already in Anchorage for something else, you will not be eligible for road travel
  reimbursement.
- Must get a road travel form from NTC, prior to your trip to Anchorage for any specialty clinic or dental appointment
- Must get road travel form signed by provider in Anchorage at the time of your visit and returned to NTC Clinic
- NTC will not be responsible for getting your form to Anchorage for signatures and verifications, patient will be responsible for these forms
- Patients shall only receive one (1) travel reimbursement for each actual road trip, and shall not be paid for separate days or by individual appointments where the patient remains in Anchorage for multiple visits

The following conditions do not qualify for road travel reimbursement to SCF:

- Ear aches
- Sore throat
- Flu or cold symptoms
- PAP smears
- Physical exams
- Stomach aches

Due to the limited funding, NTC providers will carefully determine eligibility and may or may not cover Road Travel Reimbursement. Coverage will be based on the above criteria and after careful examination of road travel request.