

COMMONWEALTH  
NORTH

**Resolution 2009-1**  
**In support of creating an Electronic Health Information**  
**Exchange Network as proposed in Senate Bill 133**  
**April 14, 2009**

This resolution is based on the 2005 Commonwealth North study entitled "Alaska Primary Health Care: Opportunities and Challenges."

**Commonwealth North:**

Encourages and promotes the establishment of an Electronic Medical Record with a common interface as a means to improved safety, efficiency, and quality of health care in Alaska;

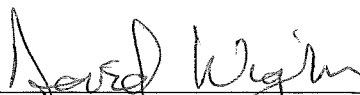
Requests all state legislators to approve authorizing legislation in Senate Bill 133; and

Forwards this resolution to all members of the Alaska State Legislature, Governor Sarah Palin, and Alaska's congressional delegation.

**Resolved for the following reasons:**

1. Senate Bill 133 helps create a required electronic health information exchange system for electronic health records
2. State participation is essential to match the twelve million dollars Alaska is already scheduled to receive for this effort from the Federal Communications Bureau
3. Additional federal money for this nationwide effort will require State contributions

Approved by the Commonwealth North Board of Directors  
April 14, 2009

  
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David Wight, President