

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

2024 was a foundational year for the Aurora Integrated Oncology Foundation (AIOF) and we are incredibly proud of what we've achieved together. From launching critical programs to building partnerships that expand our reach, AIOF has demonstrated its unwavering commitment to improving cancer outcomes in Alaska. It was a year of growth, connection and impact as we advanced our mission of accessible, supportive cancer care.

This year, we emphasized the need for continuity in care, continuing the longstanding high-quality services provided by the AIOF physicians and teams across Alaska. In addition, we also invested new resources, built new partnerships, and collaborated on ways to ensure Alaskans can access the cancer care they need close to home.

These efforts have already made a difference for patients and families across the state.

Through support programs, awareness campaigns and community events, we've taken important steps to increase awareness of cancer and meeting the needs of Alaskans affected by cancer, as well as make important connections in the cancer care community. It will take all of us to make generational changes to impact cancer outcomes in our great state. Your support makes this work possible, and we are so grateful to have you with us.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Your support and dedication to our mission inspire us to reach our vision that "All Alaskans affected by cancer have access to a world-class continuum of services and a supported journey."



Warm regards,
Bill Popp, Board Chair

MISSION + VALUES

PURPOSE

To improve the quality of and access to cancer prevention, treatment, and supportive care for Alaskans.

VISION

All Alaskans affected by cancer have access to a world-class continuum of services and a supported journey.

MISSION

Improve the oncology experience by ensuring access to state-of-the-art cancer services, alleviating financial burdens and fostering collaboration to improve cancer outcomes for all Alaskans.

FOUNDATION OVERVIEW

WHO WE ARE

The Aurora Integrated Oncology Foundation was operationally established in December 2023 and officially recognized by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in 2022. With a mission to transform cancer care in Alaska. AIOF brings together several established oncology centers

— Anchorage Radiation Oncology Center, Mat-Su Valley Cancer Center, Peninsula Radiation Oncology Center and Southeast Radiation Oncology Center — under one unified goal: to provide accessible, advanced cancer treatment and comprehensive support for patients and families across the state.

Dedicated to improving cancer care access, AIOF operates with a patient-centered approach, ensuring that all Alaskans, regardless of their location or insurance status, receive high-quality, state-of-the-art care.



The foundation's model not only focuses on delivering exceptional cancer treatments but also emphasizes community support through strategic philanthropy and partnerships aimed at addressing barriers to care and improving cancer outcomes for all Alaskans.

STATEWIDE ACCESSIBILITY

AIOF is committed to making high-quality cancer care accessible to all Alaskans. Through a strategic network of oncology centers across Anchorage, Mat-Su Valley, the Kenai Peninsula and Southeast Alaska, AIOF ensures that patients can receive world-class treatment close to home. This statewide reach reduces the need for long-distance travel, alleviating financial strain and minimizing disruption for patients and their families.

In addition to providing care at our clinics, AIOF is dedicated to supporting communities across Alaska through funding and initiatives that extend access to care even in areas where clinics are not located. By providing accessible, local care, AIOF helps Alaskans focus on what matters most — healing and support within their own communities.

"[Patient] felt that every step of the way he had excellent support, respect, answers to his questions and helpful scheduling. We greatly appreciated the Hope House and financial assistance with travel expenses."

- Caregiver of patient treated at Southeast Radiation Oncology Center

"The very first appointment I had with Dr. Magnuson, he came into the exam room, introduced himself and put my file on the counter, then turned to me and said, 'How are you doing—emotionally, mentally—with all of this?' Making that human connection before diving into the nitty-gritty of radiation treatment is something I will never forget."

Patient treated at Anchorage Radiation
 Oncology Center.

"Best care I ever had."

Patient treated at Peninsula Radiation
 Oncology Center.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS, LEADERSHIP TEAM + PHYSICIAN LEADERS

AIOF's board of directors, leadership team and physician leaders bring expertise, vision, and dedication to advancing cancer care across Alaska. Together, they guide the Foundation's purpose to provide accessible, high-quality care for Alaskans affected by cancer.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The AIOF Board of Directors consists of experienced professionals who guide the Foundation's mission and provide strategic oversight. Their expertise spans health care, finance and community advocacy, united by a shared dedication to supporting Alaskans facing cancer.

Each board member plays an important role in supporting AIOF's vision, offering insights and guidance to ensure the Foundation's initiatives make a meaningful impact across the state.

Bill Popp Donna Galbreath, MD

Michele Brown

William Magnuson, MD

Greg Merrill Kenny Gross

Maude Blair Mark Dixson

Joe Everhart (not pictured)



LEADERSHIP TEAM

The AIOF leadership team combines extensive expertise in health care administration, marketing, and clinical care to advance the Foundation's mission. Together, they work to ensure accessible, high-quality cancer care for Alaskans.

Sherrie Wilson Hinshaw, MSPresident/CEO

Eugene Huang, MDChief Medical Officer

Jess Gutzwiler
Director of Marketing +
Community Relations

PHYSICIAN LEADERS

AIOF's clinics are staffed by Alaska's top oncology specialists, committed to providing compassionate, expert care close to home. These professionals ensure that Alaskans receive world-class treatment without needing to leave the state.

ANCHORAGE RADIATION ONCOLOGY CENTER



Dr. William Magnuson, M.D. *Radiation Oncologist, Fellowship Trained in Stereotactic Radiosurgery*



Dr. Mike Green, M.D., PhD *Radiation Oncologist*

PROVIDENCE CANCER CENTER



Dr. John Halligan, M.D. *Medical Director*



Dr. Stephen Settle, M.D., PhD *Radiation Oncologist*

PENINSULA RADIATION ONCOLOGY CENTER



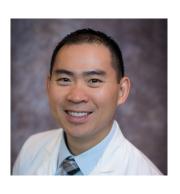
Dr. Jason Parks, M.D. *Radiation Oncologist*



MAT-SU VALLEY CANCER CENTER

Dr. Robert Sollaccio, M.D. *Medical Director, Radiation Oncologist*

SOUTHEAST RADIATION ONCOLOGY CENTER



Dr. Eugene Huang, M.D. *Radiation Oncologist*



ALL LOCATIONS

Dr. Larry Daugherty, M.D. Radiation Oncologist

THE ROLES WE PLAY

AIOF serves Alaskans through several key roles that drive our mission to improve cancer care and support across the state:



HIGH-QUALITY CANCER TREATMENT SERVICES

AIOF clinics have provided treatment to over 14,000 patients over the last decade, with 26,000 treatment deliveries per year. Clinics provide care regardless of insurance status.



PATIENT SUPPORT

Providing essential resources to help cancer patients and their families navigate treatment, including financial assistance, transportation and educational resources.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Raising awareness of cancer prevention and early detection through events, partnerships, and outreach initiatives.



ADVOCACY AND EDUCATION

Breaking down barriers to cancer care by advocating for better access to health care and supporting education initiatives that help inform the community.



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Investing in the future of health care by offering scholarships to aspiring oncology professionals and supporting educational programs for Alaska's youth.



COLLABORATION WITH HEALTH CARE PARTNERS

Partnering with health care providers, nonprofits, and community organizations to expand access to comprehensive cancer care across Alaska.



2024 AT A GLANCE

In its first year, AIOF made significant strides in advancing cancer care and support through philanthropy and community engagement. By partnering with local organizations and funding important programs, AIOF has helped to expand access to cancer prevention, treatment and support services for Alaskans statewide. Through grant funding, sponsorships and community initiatives, the Foundation has strengthened its role as a resource for cancer support organizations, patients and their families.

\$500,000 TOTAL GRANT FUNDING PROVIDED

In 2024, AIOF granted a total of \$500,000 to community organizations and nonprofit partners across Alaska, supporting initiatives that improve cancer care, prevention and patient support.

40 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTED

AIOF extended financial support to 40 nonprofit and community organizations, increasing their capacity to deliver critical services to cancer patients and their families.

42 COMMUNITY EVENTS SPONSORED

Throughout the year, AIOF sponsored 42 community-based events. These events focused on cancer prevention, early detection and education engaging Alaskans in proactive health practices...

\$280,000 CHARITABLE CARE PROVIDED

In 2024, AIOF provided charitable care valued at \$280,000 through treatment assistance. This care ensured that individuals facing financial challenges could access necessary cancer treatments, removing barriers and enabling them to focus on their health and recovery.

"AIOF's support has empowered us to enhance our early detection and screening services, ensuring that women across Alaska have access to life-saving resources and quality care, regardless of their location or insurance status. This commitment enables us to bring state-of-the-art screening to even the most remote communities across Alaska."

Jacyn DeBaun, executive director of Breast Cancer Detection Center of Alaska

TIMELINE: AIOF MILESTONES

April 2022 Received IRS 501(c)(3) approval, establishing AIOF as January 2023 a nonprofit organization. Community Board members joined to represent patient and local perspectives. December 2023 Finalized the purchase of oncology centers, making AIOF fully operational. January 2024 Officially launched AIOF and committed \$500,000 to aid nonprofit organizations across **April 2024** Alaska. Donated \$25,000 to Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation to support health care initiatives. **June 2024** Donated \$40,000 to Alaska Run for Women, supporting breast cancer awareness and education. Sept. 2024 Donated \$25,000 to Anchorage Wine & Food Festival to benefit local Oct. 2024 cancer care initiatives. Donated \$20,000 to support the Kenai Peninsula Borough's **Central Emergency Services** pink fire truck initiative, raising awareness for early cancer Nov. 2024 detection. Celebrated ten year anniversary of the Southeast Donated \$50,000 to the Radiation Oncology Center. Alaska Community Foundation's universal scholarship fund to support future oncology professionals. Dec. 2024 Expanded the Anchorage **Radiation Oncology Center** facility to provide additional integrated care services. Hired additional radiation oncologist, Dr. Michael Green.

CHANGEMAKER SPOTLIGHT

In 2024, AIOF introduced the Aurora Changemaker Spotlight series to recognize and celebrate remarkable Alaskans who make a difference in cancer care. So far, seven changemakers have been featured, sharing their stories and contributions. This series highlights the dedication and impact of individuals and organizations supporting cancer patients and their families across the state.



Sarah Riffer, Armed Services YMCA of Alaska

In Aug. 2024, AIOF donated \$10,000 to the Armed Services YMCA of Alaska to support programs like the Children's Waiting Rooms at JBER, Eielson Air Force Base and Fort Wainwright. These services remove barriers to medical care for military families, making sure parents can access critical screenings and treatments. Under the leadership of Executive Director Sarah Riffer, ASYMCA continues to make a significant impact in addressing the unique health care challenges faced by Alaska's military community.



Susie Smith, Hospice of Anchorage

In June 2024, AIOF awarded funding to Hospice of Anchorage to support its essential non-medical services that provide dignity and autonomy to patients at the end of life. Under the leadership of Executive Director Susie Smith, Hospice of Anchorage offers critical programming, including volunteer companionship, resource closets with medical supplies and personalized care packages.



Mark Dixson, Alaska Men's Run

The September Changemaker Spotlight features Mark Dixson, a prostate cancer survivor and advocate who serves on AIOF's Board of Directors. Dixson works with the Alaska Men's Run, an organization dedicated to raising awareness and providing support for prostate cancer patients through education, weekly support groups and patient relief funds. In 2024, AIOF provided funding to the Alaska Men's Run to support its efforts in raising awareness and improving care for prostate cancer patients cross Alaska.

PROGRAMS AND IMPACT AREAS

In 2024, AIOF supported strategic philanthropy initiatives across four key impact areas: Patient Support, Access to Care, Awareness and Workforce Development. These categories highlight AIOF's commitment to addressing the diverse needs of Alaskans impacted by cancer. These collaborative initiatives strengthen Alaska's cancer care network, create meaningful change for communities statewide, and keep resources in Alaska.

\$120,000 PATIENT SUPPORT \$120,000 ACCESS TO CARE \$160,000 AWARENESS + PREVENTION \$100,000 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

PATIENT SUPPORT



The following are some highlights of how AIOF invested resources in strategic philanthropy to reach our charitable purpose of supporting patients directly outside the walls of our clinics.

Patient Support Fund

In its inaugural year, AIOF established the Patient Support Fund, assisting patients across Alaska with expenses such as transportation, lodging, basic necessities, medical expenses and other needs. Eligible patients could receive up to \$1,000 per year—or up to \$2,500 in special circumstances—alleviating barriers to treatment access.

Breast Cancer Detection Center

AIOF provided \$10,000 to cover patient services and an additional \$5,000 grant to support workforce development. These investments enabled BCDC to train staff and expand access to cancer screenings, improving early detection efforts across Alaska.

Alaska Literacy Program

AIOF supported the Alaska Literacy Program with \$2,500 in grant funds to support the Peer Health Navigators Program. This program increases healthcare information access in the community, part of an initiative to better meet the health needs of traditionally underrepresented community members.

"A cancer diagnosis while still in school, while trying to raise young children, or during the first few years of your career carries special considerations. The Anchorage Young Cancer Coalition understands those challenges and we're able to offer fellowship and support that fits the needs of this demographic. We couldn't do this work without our partners and are so grateful to work with Aurora Integrated Oncology Foundation to support our young cancer community across Alaska." Carey Carpenter, Anchorage Young Cancer Coalition

ACCESS TO CARE

The following are some highlights of how AIOF invested resources in strategic philanthropy to reach our charitable purpose of increasing access to care in Alaska.

Healthy Alaska Natives Foundation (HANF)

AIOF partnered with HANF to support health initiatives for Alaska Native communities. Through a \$25,000 contribution, AIOF helped fund HANF's Cancer Care Fund, which provides essential resources to Alaska Native individuals and families affected by cancer. This partnership focuses on breaking down health care barriers and increasing access to vital services.

American Cancer Society

AIOF partnered with the American Cancer Society to support cancer awareness and prevention through events like Making Strides and the Wine & Food Festival. Through these efforts, AIOF helped ACS extend its outreach and offer resources to patients and their families across Alaska.

Mat-Su Mammothon

AIOF helped facilitate walk-in mammogram screenings, on-site breast exams and opportunities for participants to connect with local providers.

"Aurora Integrated Oncology Foundation complements the American Cancer Society's programs, enabling us to provide the best care and support to Alaskan cancer patients during their most challenging times."

Charissa Haberger, Director, American Cancer Society

AWARENESS

Cancer Connection Annual Community Health Forum

As a sponsor with a booth at the forum, AIOF supported Cancer Connection's mission to assist Southeast Alaskans living with cancer and provided valuable resources to their families and support networks.

Kenai Peninsula Borough Emergency Services

AIOF provided a grant for \$20,000 to support the Kenai Peninsula Borough's Central Emergency Services pink fire truck initiative, raising awareness for early cancer detection through the unveiling of Miss Rosey.

Alaska Run for Women

Serving as a Pink Diamond sponsor, AIOF contributed \$40,000 to support breast cancer research, awareness and education, reinforcing its dedication to statewide health initiatives.

Let Every Woman Know

AIOF collaborated with Let Every Woman Know to support initiatives focused on gynecologic cancer education and awareness.

University of Alaska Anchorage Pink Night Hockey and **Volleyball Cancer Awareness Games**

Pink Night brings cancer awareness and screening to the front of the playing field with partnership with UAA Athletics.

Alaska Men's Run

AIOF provided \$5,000 in support to the Alaska Men's Run, an organization that raises funds and awareness in order to fund educational activities, health awareness, and early detection to support men and agencies fighting prostate and testicular cancer.





WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Scholarships for Future Oncology Professionals

To support the next generation of cancer care providers, AIOF committed \$50,000 to the Alaska Community Foundation's universal scholarship fund. These scholarships will support aspiring oncologists, technicians and nurses in Alaska, to help build a strong local health care workforce.

Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center

Provided \$10,000 to fund high-resolution anoscopy equipment, training and implementation. This initiative enhanced cancer prevention and early detection efforts for underserved populations.

Alaska State Medical Association

AIOF supported the Alaska State Medical Association with a \$15,000 grant to support its physician leadership training program, Future Alaska Medical Leaders.



As AIOF moves forward, the Foundation remains focused on its mission for accessible, advanced treatment and comprehensive support for patients and families. In the coming year, AIOF plans to build on its efforts in patient support, expand outreach initiatives and deepen community partnerships to ensure that cancer prevention, early detection and high-quality care are available to everyone across the state.