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Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center

Kodiak, Alaska – Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center (PKIMC) recently completed an extensive upgrade and renovation of the Providence Radiology Department. The Denali Commission, the Kodiak Island Health Care Foundation and Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center partnered on the \$191,000 project. The major equipment purchases include a complete fixed X-Ray system. The project also purchased a state of the art portable X-Ray machine which is a critical care component in the Emergency Room and in other situations where it is impractical or impossible to bring the patient to the X-Ray room. PKIMC CEO Don Rush said “I am very thankful for the support that the Denali Commission gives to our community hospital. Without there participation, this project would have been years away. The new and upgraded equipment is a major improvement in the quality of X-Ray services available to Kodiak patients. In addition, the new fixed and portable X-Ray machines offer a broader scope of capabilities.” The PKIMC radiology staff is also extremely thankful for the new equipment. Mette Kelly, the Radiology Department Manager says: “The new fixed machine is much more patient friendly. This means that patients with physical impairments will not have to be moved as much which can be either painful or physically difficult.”

PKIMC would also like to acknowledge the continuing assistance of the Kodiak Island Health Care Foundation in improving both the access to health care and the capital medical equipment available to the community of Kodiak.