**Dear fellow AKAMFT Members,**

Happy Fall to all of you! I am writing with lots of important information so I will put it in bullets to keep things short and sweet.

* If you received an email from akamft prior to this one regarding upcoming division changes from aamft, please be aware it was **NOT AUTHORIZED BY AKAMFT** or **AAMFT** so **DISREGARD IT** and the **IN-CORRECT INFORMATION** it contained. The individual who used your confidential email without akamft permission and has been mis-representing himself and his personal agenda as that of the AKAMFT’s agenda is being dealt with, we apologize for the inconvenience.
* **YES**, the **BY-LAW** vote finally passed and that means changes for all states… including us. We would like to explain the 2 viable choices for our Alaska Division (watch for more detailed emails to follow please):
	+ **Special Interest Network:** very similar to our operating division but we would have a more specific focus (ie Alaskan MFT’s for healthy families etc), we keep our $ (currently @ $21,000), and stay connected to AAMFT
	+ **Division Dissolution** – Alaska akamft goes away in all aspects on a date we decide and all our $ goes back to central AAMFT (or we spend it first on whatever we decide (conferences, donations, etc)
* The **National AAMFT Conference is in Atlanta, GA from October 4-7**, two board members will be attending to find out the most up to date information about the division transitions as possible and will bring back this information to you to share at our scheduled annual general membership meeting. If you happen to be attending as well, please shoot us an email to let us know so we can plan on meeting up while we are there ok?

**AK ANNUAL DIVISION GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING,**

**CONFERENCE, AND VOTE FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th

 (more detailed info to follow)

Thank you for your membership and your support, we know all of these changes are daunting, if you have any questions please send them to our email listed above and we will answer them promptly. We truly appreciate all that you do for our Alaskan communities each and every day.

Your Board,

Lori Patin, Josh Miller, Kevan Walker, Ashley Winslow, and Shawnmarie Carpenter