By the Numbers – COPD in Alaska

4.2% of adults have been diagnosed with COPD (prevalence)²

23,300 adults have been diagnosed with COPD (incidence)²

36.5 people out of every 100,000 die per year³

$43 million is the annual cost for treatment⁴

Vaccinations⁵
- 48.4% have had the flu shot
- 70.7% have had the pneumonia shot

Hospitalizations
- 310 Medicare hospitalizations⁵
- $2,590 per Medicare beneficiary with COPD⁴
- 19.8% 30-day COPD readmission rate⁶

Higher Proportions of Women than Men have COPD²
- 5.0% women
- 3.4% men

COPD and Chronic Diseases
Asthma, cardiovascular disease, depression and diabetes all have high prevalence rates in the COPD population, making earlier diagnosis, education and optimal treatment even more important.²

Individuals in Alaska with incomes less than $15,000 are 3.5x more likely to have COPD than those with incomes greater than $50,000⁶

Change starts with empowering individuals, families and the healthcare community to prevent the disease, diagnose it early and treat it appropriately. Find out more and get involved at www.copdfoundation.org.