

Victor Joseph is a tribal member of the Native Village of Tanana. He is the grandson of the late Virginia and Chuck Newby and the late Benjamin Joseph. He is the son of the late Kitty Smith and Joseph Burns. Victor is the proud parent of six children and the grandfather of 9 grandchildren. Victor and his better half, Doreen Deaton, have been together for 7 years. Victor has worked for TCC for 20 years serving as the TCC Health Director for the past 7. He is an experienced leader with extensive experience building strong working relationships with tribal leaders, colleagues, staff, funding agencies and corporate beneficiaries.

As TCC Health Director for the past 7 years, Victor has worked closely with tribes, administration and staff to rebuild health services ensuring continued and expanded quality health care systems in the Interior. His leadership was instrumental in the completion of the new Chief Andrew Isaac Health Center, the new energy-efficient clinic in Ruby, and the acquisition of funding needed to build new clinics in Kaltag, Chalkyitsik, Eagle and Tok while continuing to seek funding for others. Under his leadership TCC has increased Health Services revenue from 48 million in 2009 to 105 million in 2014 by expanding third party revenue and advocating for increased IHS and other state and federal funding. These efforts continue to allow for the expansion of services throughout the TCC Health Services area. In addition to his role as Health Director, Victor has also taken an active leadership role in TCC's emergency response team during recent flooding disasters. Victor is also a member of the TCC Senior Management team participating in the overall operational management of Tanana Chiefs Conference and taking on responsibilities outside of Health Services for the greater good of the organization. He has spent much time in TCC villages seeking to assist with and understand local issues followed by trips to Washington DC and Juneau to help advocate for those issues. Prior to his position as Health Director, Victor held several management-level positions including 13 years as the Old Minto Program Director and two years as the Cook Inlet Recovery Service Director where he provided oversight of the Recovery Services programs and its clinical directors.

Victor's consistent record of high performance and dedication to making an impact at the village level is reflected in his numerous awards: TCC Employee of the year in 1998 and 2012, NIH National Impact Award in 2013, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Community Health Leader in 2001. Victor's entire career has been driven by a strong belief that healthy people will lead to empowered people. He is a proven leader with a track record that backs up his love and efforts for his people. Victor was elected to serve a three year term as TCC President in March 2014.