

**RCW 74.09A.030 Duties of health insurers—Providing information—
Payments—Claims—Costs and fees.** Health insurers, as a condition of
doing business in Washington, must:

(1) Provide, with respect to individuals who are eligible for, or
are provided, medical assistance under chapter 74.09 RCW, upon the
request of the authority, information to determine during what period
the individual or their spouses or their dependents may be, or may
have been, covered by a health insurer and the nature of coverage that
is or was provided by the health insurer, including the name, address,
and identifying number of the plan, in a manner prescribed by the
authority;

(2) Accept the authority's right to recovery and the assignment
to the authority of any right of an individual or other entity to
payment from the party for an item or service for which payment has
been made under chapter 74.09 RCW;

(3) Respond to any inquiry by the authority regarding a claim for
payment for any health care item or service that is submitted not
later than three years after the date of the provision of such health
care item or service;

(4) Agree not to deny a claim submitted by the authority solely
on the basis of the date of submission of the claim, the type or
format of the claim form, or a failure to present proper documentation
at the point-of-sale that is the basis of the claim, if:

(a) The claim is submitted by the authority within the three-year
period beginning on the date the item or service was furnished; and

(b) Any action by the authority to enforce its rights with
respect to such claim is commenced within six years of the authority's
submission of such claim; and

(5) Agree that the prevailing party in any legal action to
enforce this section receives reasonable attorneys' fees as well as
related collection fees and costs incurred in the enforcement of this
section. [2011 1st sp.s. c 15 s 120; 2007 c 179 s 4.]

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