Chapter 388-505 WAC
FAMILY MEDICAL

WAC 388-505-0501 Eligibility—General. [Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090. 94-10-065 (Order 3732), § 388-505-0501, filed 5/3/94, effective 6/3/94. Formerly WAC 388-83-020.] Repealed by 98-16-050, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. Later promulgation, see WAC 388-505-0505.

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WAC 388-505-0530 Resource eligibility for family institutional medical coverage. [Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090. 94-10-065 (Order 3732), § 388-505-0530, filed 5/3/94, effective 6/3/94. Formerly WAC 388-83-014.] Repealed by 98-16-050, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. Later promulgation, see WAC 388-476-0005.

WAC 388-505-0540 Assignment of rights and cooperation. [Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090. 96-13-002 (Order 3983), § 388-505-0540, filed 6/6/96, effective 7/6/96. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090 and 1995 2nd sp.s. c 18, 95-24-016 (Order 3923), § 388-505-0540, filed 11/22/95, effective 12/23/95. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 94-10-065 (Order 3732), § 388-505-0540, filed 5/3/94, effective 6/3/94. Formerly WAC 388-83-014.] Repealed by 98-16-050, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. Later promulgation, see WAC 388-476-0005.
WAC 388-505-0110 Medical assistance coverage for adults not covered under family medical programs. (1) An adult who does not meet the institutional status requirements as defined in WAC 388-513-1320 and who does not receive waiver services as described in chapter 388-515 WAC is considered for categorically needy (CN) coverage under this chapter. Persons excluded from this section have rules applied to eligibility from chapter 388-513 WAC. Under this section a person is eligible for CN coverage when the person:

(a) Meets citizenship/immigrant, residency, and Social Security number requirements as described in WAC 388-503-0505; and

(b) Has CN countable income and resources that do not exceed the income and resource standards in WAC 388-478-0080; and

(c) Is sixty-five years of age or older, or meets the blind and/or disability criteria of the federal SSI program.

(2) An adult not meeting the conditions of subsection (1)(b) is eligible for CN medical coverage if the person:

(a) Is a current beneficiary of Title II of the Social Security Act (SSA) benefits who:

(i) Was a concurrent beneficiary of Title II and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits;

(ii) Is ineligible for SSI benefits and/or state supplementary payments (SSP); and

(iii) Would be eligible for SSI benefits if certain cost-of-living (COLA) increases are deducted from the client's current Title II benefit amount:

(A) All Title II COLA increases under P.L. 94-566, section 503 received by the client since their termination from SSI/SSP; and

(B) All Title II COLA increases received during the time period in subsection (1)(d)(iii)(A) of this section by the client's spouse or other financially responsible family member living in the same household.

(b) Is an SSI beneficiary, no longer receiving a cash benefit due to employment, who meets the provisions of section 1619(b) of Title XVI of the SSA;

(c) Is a currently disabled client receiving widow's or widower's benefits under section 202 (e) or (f) of the SSA if the disabled client:

(i) Was entitled to a monthly insurance benefit under Title II of the SSA for December 1983; and

(ii) Was entitled to and received a widow's or widower's benefit based on a disability under section 202 (e) or (f) of the SSA for January 1984;

(iii) Became ineligible for SSI/SSP in the first month in which the increase provided under section 134 of P.L. 98-21 was paid to the client;

(iv) Has been continuously entitled to a widow's or widower's benefit under section 202 (e) or (f) of the SSA;

(v) Would be eligible for SSI/SSP benefits if the amount of that increase, and any subsequent COLA increases provided under section 215(i) of the SSA, were disregarded;

(vi) Is fifty through fifty-nine years of age; and

(vii) Filed an application for Medicaid coverage before July 1, 1988.

(d) Was receiving, as of January 1, 1991, Title II disabled widow or widower benefits under section 202 (e) or (f) of the SSA if the person:

(i) Is not eligible for the hospital insurance benefits under Medicare Part A;

(ii) Received SSI/SSP payments in the month before receiving such Title II benefits;

(iii) Became ineligible for SSI/SSP due to receipt of or increase in such Title II benefits; and

(iv) Would be eligible for SSI/SSP if the amount of such Title II benefits or increase in such Title II benefits under section 202 (e) or (f) of the SSA, and any subsequent COLA increases provided under section 215(i) of the act were disregarded.

(e) Is a disabled or blind client receiving Title II Disabled Adult Childhood (DAC) benefits under section 202(d) of the SSA if the client:

(i) Is at least eighteen years old;

(ii) Lost SSI/SSP benefits on or after July 1, 1988, due to receipt of or increase in DAC benefits; and

(iii) Would be eligible for SSI/SSP if the amount of the DAC benefits or increase under section 202(d) of the DAC and any subsequent COLA increases provided under section 215(i) of the SSA were disregarded.

(f) Is a client who:

(i) In August 1972, received:

(A) Old age assistance (OAA);

(B) Aid to blind (AB);

(C) Aid to families with dependent children (AFDC); or

(D) Aid to the permanently and totally disabled (APTD); and

(ii) Was entitled to or received retirement, survivors, and disability insurance (RSDI) benefits; or

(iii) Is eligible for OAA, AB, AFDC, SSI, or APRD solely because of the twenty percent increase in Social Security benefits under P.L. 92-336.

(3) An adult who does not meet the institutional status requirement as defined in WAC 388-513-1320 and who does not receive waiver services as described in chapter 388-515 WAC is considered for medically needy (MN) coverage under this chapter. Persons excluded from this section have rules applied to eligibility from chapter 388-513 WAC. Under this section a person is eligible for MN coverage when the person:

(a) Meets citizenship/immigrant, residency, and Social Security number requirements as described in WAC 388-503-0505; and

(b) Has MN countable income that does not exceed the income standards in WAC 388-478-0070, or meets the excess income spenddown requirements in WAC 388-519-0110; and

(c) Meets the countable resource standards in WAC 388-478-0070; and

(d) Is sixty-five years of age or older and meets the blind and/or disability criteria of the federal SSI program.
(4) MN coverage is available for an aged, blind, or disabled ineligible spouse of an SSI recipient. See WAC 388-519-0100 for additional information.

(5) An adult may be eligible for the alien emergency medical program as described in WAC 388-438-0110.

(6) An adult is eligible for the state-funded general assistance - expedited medicaid disability (GA-X) program when they:

(a) Meet the requirements of the cash program in WAC 388-400-0025 and 388-478-0030; or

(b) Meet the SSI-related disability standards but cannot get the SSI cash grant due to immigration status or sponsor deeming issues.

Clients may be eligible for GA cash benefits and CN medical coverage due to different sponsor deeming requirements.

(7) An adult is eligible for the state-funded medical care services (MCS) program as described in WAC 388-400-0025 and 388-800-0048. GAU clients residing in counties designated as mandatory managed care plan counties must enroll in a plan, pursuant to WAC 388-538-063.

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WAC 388-505-0210 Apple health for kids and other children's medical assistance programs. Funding for coverage under the apple health for kids programs may come through Title XIX (medicaid), Title XXI (CHIP), or through state-funded programs. There are no resource limits for the apple health for kids programs. Apple health for kids coverage is free to children in households with incomes of no more than two-hundred percent of the federal poverty level (FPL), and available on a premium basis to children in households with incomes of no more than three-hundred percent FPL.

(1) Newborns are eligible for federally matched categorically needy (CN) coverage through their first birthday when:

(a) The newborn is a resident of the state of Washington.

(b) The newborn's mother is eligible for medical assistance:

(i) On the date of the newborn's birth, including a retroactive eligibility determination; or

(ii) Based on meeting a medically needy (MN) spend-down liability with expenses incurred on, or prior to, the date of the newborn's birth.

(2) Children under the age of nineteen who are U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or lawfully present qualified or nonqualified aliens as described in WAC 388-424-0001, 388-424-0010(4), and 388-424-0006 (1), (4), and (5), are eligible for free federally matched CN coverage when they meet the following criteria:

(a) State residence as described in chapter 388-468 WAC;

(b) A Social Security number or application as described in chapter 388-476 WAC;

(c) Proof of citizenship or immigrant status and identity as required by WAC 388-490-0005(11);

(d) Family income is at or below two hundred percent of federal poverty level (FPL), as described in WAC 388-478-0075 at each application or review; or

(e) They received Supplemental Security Income (SSI) cash payments in August 1996 and would continue to be eligible for those payments except for the August 1996 passage of amendments to federal disability definitions; or

(f) They are currently eligible for SSI.

(3) Noncitizen children under the age of nineteen, who are not lawfully present qualified or nonqualified aliens as described in WAC 388-424-0001, 388-424-0010(4), and 388-424-0006 (1), (4), and (5), are eligible for free state-funded coverage when they meet the following criteria:

(a) State residence as described in chapter 388-468 WAC; and

(b) Family income is at or below two hundred percent FPL at each application or review.

(4) Children under the age of nineteen who are U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or lawfully present qualified or nonqualified aliens as described in WAC 388-424-0001, 388-424-0010(4), and 388-424-0006 (1), (4), and (5) are eligible for premium-based federally matched CN coverage as described in chapter 388-542 WAC when they meet the following criteria:

(a) State residence as described in chapter 388-468 WAC;

(b) Proof of citizenship or immigrant status and identity as required by WAC 388-490-0005(11);

(c) Family income is over two hundred percent FPL, as described in WAC 388-478-0075, but not over three hundred percent FPL at each application or review;

(d) They do not have other creditable health insurance as described in WAC 388-542-0050; and

(e) They pay the required monthly premiums as described in WAC 388-505-0211.

(5) Noncitizen children under the age of nineteen, who are not lawfully present qualified or nonqualified aliens as described in WAC 388-424-0001, 388-424-0010(4), and 388-424-0006 (1), (4), and (5), are eligible for premium-based state-funded CN coverage when they meet the following criteria:

(a) State residence as described in chapter 388-468 WAC;

(b) Family income is over two hundred percent FPL, as described in WAC 388-478-0075, but not over three hundred percent FPL at each application or review;

(c) They do not have other creditable health insurance as described in WAC 388-542-0050; and

(d) They pay the required monthly premium as described in WAC 388-505-0211.

(6) Children under age nineteen are eligible for the medically needy (MN) medicaid program when they meet the following criteria:

(a) Citizenship or immigrant status, state residence, and Social Security number requirements as described in subsection (2)(a), (b), and (c) of this section;

(b) Are ineligible for other federally matched CN programs;

(c) Have income that exceeds three hundred percent FPL; or
(d) Have income less than three hundred percent FPL, but do not qualify for premium-based coverage as described in subsection (4) of this section because of creditable coverage; and

(e) Meet their spenddown liability as described in WAC 388-519-0100 and 388-519-0110.

(7) Children under the age of nineteen who reside or are expected to reside in a medical institution, intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR), hospice care center, nursing home, institution for mental diseases (IMD) or inpatient psychiatric facility may be eligible for apple health for kids healthcare coverage based upon institutional rules described in WAC 388-505-0260. Individuals between the age of nineteen and twenty-one may still be eligible for healthcare coverage but not under the apple health for kids programs. See WAC 388-505-0230 "Family related institutional medical" and WAC 388-513-1320 "Determining institutional status for long-term care" for more information.

(8) Children who are in foster care under the legal responsibility of the state, or a federally recognized tribe located within the state, and who meet eligibility requirements for residency, Social Security number, and citizenship as described in subsection (2)(a), (b) and (c) of this section are eligible for federally matched CN medicaid coverage through the month of their:

(a) Eighteenth birthday;
(b) Twenty-first birthday if the children's administration determines they remain eligible for continued foster care services; or
(c) Twenty-first birthday if they were in foster care on their eighteenth birthday and that birthday was on or after July 22, 2007.

(9) Children are eligible for state-funded CN coverage through the month of their eighteenth birthday if they:

(a) Are in foster care under the legal responsibility of the state or a federally recognized tribe located within the state; and

(b) Do not meet social security number and citizenship requirements in subsection (2)(b) and (c) of this section.

(10) Children who receive subsidized adoption services are eligible for federally matched CN coverage.

(11) Children under the age of nineteen not eligible for apple health for kids programs listed above may be eligible for one of the following medical assistance programs not included in apple health for kids:

(a) Family medical as described in WAC 388-505-0220;
(b) Medical extensions as described in WAC 388-523-0100;
(c) SSI-related MN if they:
   (i) Meet the blind and/or disability criteria of the federal SSI program, or the condition of subsection (2)(e) of this section; and
   (ii) Have countable income above the level described in WAC 388-478-0070(1).
(d) Home and community based waiver programs as described in chapter 388-515 WAC; or
(e) Alien medical as described in WAC 388-438-0110, if they:
   (i) Have a documented emergency medical condition as defined in WAC 388-500-0005;
   (ii) Have income more than three hundred percent FPL; or
   (iii) Have income less than three hundred percent FPL, but do not qualify for premium-based coverage as described in subsection (5) of this section because of creditable coverage.

(12) Except for a child described in subsection (7) of this section, an inmate of a public institution, as defined in WAC 388-500-0005, is not eligible for any apple health for kids program.
(a) Twenty dollars per month per child for households
with income above two hundred percent FPL, but not above
two hundred and fifty percent FPL; or
(b) Thirty dollars per month per child for households
with income above two hundred and fifty percent FPL, but
not above three hundred percent FPL.

(7) The premium amount for each noncitizen child
described in WAC 388-505-0210(5) who is not a lawfully
present qualified or nonqualified alien is no greater than the
average of the state-share of the per capita cost for state-
funded children's health coverage. The premium amount is
set every two years, based on the forecasted per capita costs
for that period.

(8) All children in an AU are ineligible for healthcare
coverage when the head of household fails to pay required
premium payments for three consecutive months.

(9) When the agency or the agency's designee terminates
the medical coverage of a child due to nonpayment of premi-
ums, the child's eligibility is restored only when the:
(a) Past due premiums are paid in full prior to the end of
the certification period; or
(b) The child becomes eligible for coverage under a non-
premium-based CN healthcare program.

(10) The agency or the agency's designee writes off past-
due premiums after twelve months.

(11) If all past due premiums are paid after the certifica-
tion period is over:
(a) Eligibility for prior months is not restored; and
(b) Children are not eligible for premium-based cover-
age under apple health for kids until:
(i) The month the premiums are paid or the agency
writes off the debt; and
(ii) The family reapplications and is found eligible.

(12) A family cannot designate partial payment of the
billed premium amount as payment for a specific child in the
AU. The full premium amount is the obligation of the head of
household of the AU. A family can decide to request health-
care coverage only for certain children in the AU, if they
want to reduce premium obligation.

(13) A change that affects the premium amount is effec-
tive the month after the change is reported and processed.

(14) A sponsor or other third party may pay the premium
on behalf of the child or children in the AU. The premium
payment requirement remains the obligation of head of
household of the AU. The failure of a sponsor or other third
party to pay the premium does not eliminate the obligation
of the head of household to pay past due premiums.

WAC 388-505-0220 Family medical eligibility. (1) A
person is eligible for categorically needy (CN) medical assist-
ance when they are:
(a) Receiving temporary assistance for needy families
(TANF) cash benefits;
(b) Receiving Tribal TANF;
(c) Receiving cash diversion assistance, except SFA
relatable families, described in WAC 388-400-0010(2);
(d) Eligible for TANF cash benefits but choose not to
receive;
(e) Over the TANF cash payment standard but under the
family medical payment standard as described in WAC 388-
478-0065; or
(f) Not eligible for or receiving TANF cash assistance,
but meet the eligibility criteria for aid to families with depend-
ent children (AFDC) in effect on July 16, 1996 except that:
(i) Earned income is treated as described in WAC 388-
450-0210; and
(ii) Resources are treated as described in WAC 388-470-
0005 for applicants and 388-470-0026 for recipients.
(2) An adult cannot receive a family medicaid program
unless the household includes a child who is eligible for:
(a) Family medicaid;
(b) SSI; or
(c) Children's medicaid.

(3) A person is eligible for CN family medical coverage
when the person is not eligible for or receiving cash benefits
solely because the person:
(a) Received sixty months of TANF cash benefits or is a
member of an assistance unit which has received sixty
months of TANF cash benefits;
(b) Failed to meet the school attendance requirement in
chapter 388-400 WAC;
(c) Is an unmarried minor parent who is not in a depart-
ment-approved living situation;
(d) Is a parent or caretaker relative who fails to notify the
department within five days of the date the child leaves the
home and the child's absence will exceed one hundred eighty
days;
(e) Is a fleeing felon or fleeing to avoid prosecution for a
felony charge, or is a probation and parole violator;
(f) Was convicted of receiving benefits unlawfully;
(g) Was convicted of misrepresenting residence to obtain
assistance in two or more states;
(h) Has gross earnings exceeding the TANF gross income
level; or
(i) Is not cooperating with WorkFirst requirements.

(4) An adult must cooperate with the division of child
support in the identification, use, and collection of medical
support from responsible third parties, unless the person
meets the medical exemption criteria described in WAC 388-
505-0540 or the medical good cause criteria described in
chapter 388-422 WAC.

(5) Except for a client described in WAC 388-505-
0210(6), a person who is an inmate of a public institution, as
defined in WAC 388-500-0005, is not eligible for CN or MN
medical coverage.

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74.09.700, and 2007 c 5. 08-05-018, § 388-505-0220, filed 2/12/08, effective
3/14/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021, 74.04.050, 74.04.057, 74.09.500,
and PPACA, §2102(b)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act, and Public Law
111-3 (CHIPRA). 11-23-077, § 388-505-0220, filed 11/15/11, effective
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WAC 388-505-0270 When an involuntary commitment to Eastern or Western State Hospital is covered by medicaid. (1) Individuals admitted to Eastern or Western State Hospital for inpatient psychiatric treatment may qualify for categorically needy (CN) medicaid coverage and general assistance (GA) cash benefits to cover their personal needs allowance (PNA).

(2) To be eligible under this program, individuals must:
(a) Be eighteen through twenty years of age or sixty-five years of age or older;
(b) Meet institutional status under WAC 388-513-1320;
(c) Be involuntarily committed to an inpatient treatment program by a court order under chapter 71.34 RCW;
(d) Meet the general eligibility requirements for the GA cash program as described in WAC 388-400-0025;
(e) Have countable income below the payment standard described in WAC 388-478-0040; and
(f) Have countable resources below one thousand dollars. Individuals eligible under the provisions of this section may not apply excess resources towards the cost of care to become eligible. An individual with resources over the standard is not eligible for assistance under this section.

(3) GA clients who receive active psychiatric treatment in Eastern or Western State Hospital at the time of their twenty-first birthday continue to be eligible for medicaid coverage until the date they are discharged from the facility or until their twenty-second birthday, whichever occurs first.

WAC 388-505-0540 Assignment of rights and cooperation. (1) When a person becomes eligible for any of the department's medical programs, they make assignment of certain rights to the state of Washington. This assignment includes all rights to any type of coverage or payment for medical care which results from:
(a) A court order;
(b) An administrative agency order; or
(c) Any third-party benefits or payment obligations for medical care which are the result of subrogation or contract (see WAC 388-501-0100).

(2) Subrogation is a legal term which describes the method by which the state acquires the rights of a client for whom or to whom the state has paid benefits. The subrogation rights of the state are limited to the recovery of its own costs.

(3) The person who signs the application makes the assignment of rights to the state. Assignment is made on their own behalf and on behalf of any eligible person for whom they can legally make such assignment.

(4) A person must cooperate with the department in the identification, use or collection of third-party benefits. Failure to cooperate results in a termination of eligibility for the responsible person. Other obligations for cooperation are located in chapters 388-14A and 388-422 WAC. The following clients are exempt from termination of eligibility for medical coverage as a result of noncooperation:
(a) A pregnant woman, and
(b) Minor children, and
(c) A person who has been determined to have "good cause" for noncooperation (see WAC 388-422-0015).

(5) A person will not lose eligibility for medical assistance programs due solely to the noncooperation of any third party.

(6) A person will be responsible for the costs of otherwise covered medical services if:
(a) The person received and kept the third-party payment for those services; or
(b) The person refused to provide to the provider of care their legal signature on insurance forms.

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