WAC 182-530-7800 Reimbursement—Clients with third-party liability. (1) The medicaid agency requires providers to meet the thirdparty requirements of WAC 182-501-0200.

(2) The following definitions apply to this section:

(a) "Closed pharmacy network" means an arrangement made by an insurer which restricts prescription coverage to an exclusive list of pharmacies. This arrangement prohibits the coverage and/or payment of prescriptions provided by a pharmacy that is not included on the exclusive list.

(b) "Private point-of-sale (POS) authorization system" means an insurer's system, other than the agency's POS system, which requires that coverage be verified by or submitted to the insurer for authorization at the time of service and at the time the prescription is filled.

(3) This subsection applies to clients who have a third-party resource that is a managed care entity other than an agency-contracted plan, or have other insurance that requires the use of "closed pharmacy networks" or "private point-of-sale authorization system." The agency will not pay pharmacies for prescription drug claims until the pharmacy provider submits an explanation of benefits from the private insurance demonstrating that the pharmacy provider has complied with the terms of the third party's coverage.

(a) If the private insurer pays a fee based on the incident of care, the pharmacy provider must file a claim with the agency consistent with the agency's billing requirements.

(b) If the private insurer pays the pharmacy provider a monthly capitation fee for all prescription costs related to the client, the pharmacy provider must submit a claim to the agency for the amount of the client copayment, coinsurance, and/or deductible. The agency pays the provider the lesser of:

(i) The billed amount; or

(ii) The agency's maximum allowable fee for the prescription.

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