

WAC 388-78A-2467 Background check—Sharing by health care facilities. In accordance with RCW 43.43.832 a health care facility may share Washington state background check results with other health care facilities under certain circumstances. Results of the national fingerprint checks may not be shared. For the purposes of this section health care facility means a nursing home licensed under chapter 18.51 RCW, an assisted living facility licensed under chapter 18.20 RCW, or an adult family home licensed under chapter 70.128 RCW.

(1) The health care facility may, upon request from another health care facility, share completed Washington state background check results only if:

(a) The health care facility sharing the background check information is reasonably known to be the person's most recent employer;

(b) No more than twelve months has elapsed between the date the individual was last employed at a licensed health care facility and the date of the individual's current employment application;

(c) The background check is no more than two years old; and

(d) The assisted living facility has no reason to believe the individual has a disqualifying criminal conviction or pending charge for a disqualifying crime under chapter 388-113 WAC, a negative action that is disqualifying under WAC 388-78A-2470.

(2) The assisted living facility may also establish, maintain and follow a written agreement with home health, hospice, or home care agencies licensed under chapter 70.127 RCW or nursing pools registered under chapter 18.52C RCW in order to ensure that the agency or pool staff meet the requirements of WAC 388-78A-2470.

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