

**WAC 246-454-080 Alternative system of financial reporting.** Upon receipt of a request in detail to the satisfaction of the department, the department in its discretion may approve an alternative system for reporting of information under WAC 246-454-030 or 246-454-050 by a hospital for such period(s) or portion thereof as the department shall specify, if:

(1) The hospital charges no fee to users of its services, presents no billing, either direct or indirect, to users of its services, and presents no billing and accepts no payment for services from private or public insurers.

(2) The hospital is significantly different from other hospitals in one or more of the following respects: Size; financial structure; methods of payment for services; or scope, type, and method of providing services.

(3) The hospital has other pertinent distinguishing characteristics.

(4) Such alternative system will avoid otherwise unduly burdensome costs in meeting the requirements of the uniform reporting system established by the department.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 43.070 [43.70] and 70.170 RCW. WSR 94-12-089, § 246-454-080, filed 6/1/94, effective 7/2/94. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.70.040. WSR 91-02-049 (Order 121), recodified as § 246-454-080, filed 12/27/90, effective 1/31/91. Statutory Authority: Chapter 70.39 RCW. WSR 83-06-036 (Order 83-02, Resolution No. 83-02), § 261-20-060, filed 2/28/83; WSR 81-06-016 (Order 81-01, Resolution No. R-81-01), § 261-20-060, filed 2/20/81.]