

**WAC 296-17A-6906 Classification 6906.**

**Volunteer law enforcement officers**

Applies to medical aid coverage for volunteer law enforcement officers of cities, towns, counties, taxing districts, Native American tribal councils, and state agencies for whom these entities have elected coverage for medical aid only. Duties of law enforcement officers include, but are not limited to:

- Directing traffic;
- Patrolling by motor vehicle, motorcycle, bicycle, on foot or horseback;
- Preventing crimes;
- Investigating disturbances of the peace;
- Arresting violators;
- Conducting criminal investigations;
- Giving first aid;
- Guarding persons detained at the police station; and
- Other similar activity conducted within the course of official duties.

This classification excludes:

- Salaried law enforcement officers;
- Volunteer law enforcement officers for whom the cities, towns, counties, taxing districts or Native American tribal councils have elected full coverage, who are to be reported separately in classification 6905;
- Volunteer law enforcement officers for whom the state agencies have elected full coverage who are to be reported separately in classification 7103;
- Student volunteers and/or unpaid students as defined in chapter 51.12 RCW for whom the cities, towns, counties, taxing districts, or Native American tribal councils have elected medical aid coverage, or for whom state agencies must provide coverage, who are to be reported separately in classification 6901.

For other operations of cities, towns, counties, taxing districts, or state government, see chapter 296-17A WAC classifications: 0803, 1301, 1501, 1507, 4902, 4906, 5305, 5306, 5307, 6901, 6904, 6905, 7103, and 7201.

**Special note:** This coverage is required for volunteer law enforcement officers of state agencies. This coverage is optional for volunteer law enforcement officers of cities, towns, counties, taxing districts, and Native American tribal councils; to elect coverage for volunteer law enforcement officers, the city, town, county, taxing district, or Native American tribal council must submit a completed Application for Elective Coverage of Excluded Employments to the department. Conditions of coverage are outlined on the application. If coverage is provided, all law enforcement officers must be included. See relevant rules, including WAC 296-17-925, 296-17-930, 296-17-935, and 296-17-35201 for reporting instructions and recordkeeping requirements.

For administrative purposes, classification **6906** is divided into the following subclassifications:

**6906-00 Volunteer law enforcement officers of cities and towns - Medical aid only**

**6906-01 Volunteer law enforcement officers of counties, taxing districts and Native American tribal councils - Medical aid only**

**6906-02 Volunteer law enforcement officers of state agencies - Medical aid only**

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