

WAC 388-106-1600 What definitions apply to the nursing facility certificate of need? **"Activities of daily living"**, as defined in WAC 388-106-0010, includes tasks such as walking, eating, taking medications, maintaining personal hygiene, moving in bed and toileting.

"Care assessment" is an assessment tool used to determine eligibility for services and level of service need, and identify strengths, preferences and potential referrals to develop an individualized care plan.

"Certificate of need program" is a regulatory process under chapter 70.38 RCW that requires certain health care providers, including nursing homes, to receive approval from the department of health before building certain types of facilities or offering new or expanded services.

"Community residential" refers to licensed community settings such as assisted living facilities and adult family homes where long-term care services are provided to residents.

"Department" means the department of social and health services.

"Department of health" is the state agency that operates the certificate of need review program and determines the need for specific facilities and services, including nursing homes, in a manner that is consistent with the statewide health resources strategy developed under RCW 43.370.030 and chapter 70.38.

"In-home personal care" is care provided by an agency or individual provider to clients living in their own home.

"Minimum data set" or **"MDS"** is a tool that is used to perform the comprehensive assessment of each resident's functional capabilities, which is required for all residents in medicare or medicaid certified nursing homes.

"RUG-III score" is the classification of each nursing facility resident into a specific group based on the individual's medical condition and level of care required.

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