

WAC 182-550-2531 Requirements for becoming an acute PM&R provider. (1) Before August 1, 2007, only an in-state or bordering city hospital may apply to become a medicaid agency-approved acute PM&R hospital. After July 31, 2007, an in-state, bordering city or critical border hospital may apply to become an agency-approved acute PM&R hospital. To apply, the agency requires the hospital provider to submit a letter of request to:

Acute PM&R Program Manager
Clinical Quality and Care Transformation (CQCT)
Medical and Dental Services
P.O. Box 45506
Olympia, WA 98504-5506

(2) A hospital that applies to become an agency-approved acute PM&R facility must provide the agency with documentation that confirms the facility is all the following:

- (a) A medicare-certified hospital;
- (b) Accredited by the joint commission on accreditation of health care organizations (JCAHO);
- (c) Licensed by the department of health (DOH) as an acute care hospital as defined under WAC 246-310-010;
- (d) Commission on accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF) accredited as a comprehensive integrated inpatient rehabilitation program or as a pediatric family centered rehabilitation program, unless subsection (3) of this section applies;
- (e) For dates of admission before July 1, 2007, contracted under the agency's selective contracting program, if in a selective contracting area, unless exempted from the requirements by the agency; and

(f) Operating per the standards set by DOH (excluding the certified rehabilitation registered nurse (CRRN) requirement) in either:

- (i) WAC 246-976-800 Level I trauma rehabilitation designation; or
- (ii) WAC 246-976-800 Level II trauma rehabilitation designation.

(3) A hospital not yet accredited by CARF:

(a) May apply for or be awarded a twelve-month conditional written approval by the agency if the facility:

- (i) Provides the agency with documentation that it has started the process of obtaining full CARF accreditation; and
- (ii) Is actively operating under CARF standards.

(b) Must obtain full CARF accreditation within twelve months of the agency's conditional approval date. If this requirement is not met, the agency sends a letter of notification to revoke the conditional approval.

(4) A hospital qualifies as an agency-approved acute PM&R hospital when:

(a) The hospital meets all the applicable requirements in this section; and

(b) The agency provides written notification that the hospital qualifies to be paid for providing acute PM&R services to eligible Washington apple health clients.

(5) The agency-approved acute PM&R hospitals must meet the general requirements in chapter 182-502 WAC Administration of medical programs—Providers.

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