

**RCW 74.46.835 AIDS pilot nursing facility—Payment for direct care.** (1) Payment for direct care at the pilot nursing facility in King county designed to meet the service needs of residents living with AIDS, as defined in \*RCW 70.24.017, and as specifically authorized for this purpose under chapter 9, Laws of 1989 1st ex. sess., shall be exempt from case mix methods of rate determination set forth in this chapter and shall be exempt from the direct care wage index adjustment set forth in this chapter.

(2) Direct care component rates at the AIDS pilot facility shall be based on direct care reported costs at the pilot facility, utilizing the same rate-setting cycle prescribed for other nursing facilities, and as supported by a staffing benchmark based upon a department-approved acuity measurement system.

(3) The provisions of RCW 74.46.421 and all other rate-setting principles, cost lids, and limits, including settlement as provided in rule shall apply to the AIDS pilot facility.

(4) This section applies only to the AIDS pilot nursing facility. [2016 c 131 § 6; 2010 1st sp.s. c 34 § 17; 1998 c 322 § 46.]

**\*Reviser's note:** RCW 70.24.017 was amended by 2020 c 76 § 2, deleting the definition of "AIDS."

**Effective date—2010 1st sp.s. c 34:** See note following RCW 74.46.010.