

**WAC 246-310-900 Capital expenditure minimum adjustment procedures.** These rules and regulations are adopted pursuant to RCW 70.38.025 (6) and (12) for the purpose of establishing the index to be used and procedures for making adjustments to the "expenditure minimum" for capital expenditures which are subject to the requirements of the certificate of need program established under the provisions of chapter 70.38 RCW.

(1) Index to be used. For the purposes of the certificate of need program, the United States Department of Commerce Composite Construction Cost Index shall be used in the annual adjustments of the following:

The "expenditure minimum" as this term is defined in RCW 70.38.025 and WAC 246-310-010.

(2) Procedure for adjustment.

(a) On or before the first day of each January, the department shall adjust and publish the adjusted expenditure minimum for capital expenditures. Such adjusted minimums shall be in effect during the entire calendar year for which they are established.

(b) The adjustments in the minimums shall be based on the changes which occurred in the Department of Commerce Composite Construction Cost Index during the twelve month period ending the preceding October.

(c) The adjusted minimums shall be published by the department by public notice in one or more newspapers of general circulation within the state and through a written notice sent to each health care facility subject to the requirements of the certificate of need program, and each statewide organization of such health care facilities.

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