

**WAC 388-280-0010 What is the United States Repatriation Program?**

The United States Repatriation Program provides temporary assistance to U.S. citizens and dependents who are brought from a foreign country to the United States because of lack of financial resources, illness, war, threat of war, natural disaster, or similar crisis.

"Assistance" means non-emergency benefits and services. "Emergency" means an activation of the state emergency repatriation plan. During an emergency, you may get emergency assistance at an emergency repatriation center when you arrive at a port of entry. Benefits and services available during an emergency depend on what is available at the time of incident. You may apply for non-emergency assistance in your state of final destination after receiving assistance at an emergency repatriation center.

For the purposes of this chapter, "we" and "us" means the department of social and health services.

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