

**WAC 388-106-0335 Are there waiting lists for COPES?** The department will create a waiting list in accordance with caseload limits determined by legislative funding. Wait listed clients will gain access in the following manner:

(1) Nursing home residents wanting COPES waiver services will be ranked first on the waitlist by date of application for services;

(2) Then clients living in the community with a higher level of need, as determined by the CARE assessment, will be ranked higher on the waitlist over clients with a lower level of need; and

(3) When two or more clients in the community have equal need levels, the client with the earlier application for services will have priority over later applications for services.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 74.09.520. WSR 05-11-082, § 388-106-0335, filed 5/17/05, effective 6/17/05.]