

WSR 24-18-059

PERMANENT RULES

HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

[Filed August 28, 2024, 11:25 a.m., effective September 28, 2024]

Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing.

Purpose: The health care authority amended this rule to extend the expiration date for the ambulance transport fund from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2028, to align with RCW 74.70.901 (SB 5122, chapter 11, Laws of 2023).

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 182-546-4700.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160.

Other Authority: RCW 74.70.901 (SB 5122, chapter 11, Laws of 2023).

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-15-070 on July 17, 2024.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 1, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: August 28, 2024.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-15-010, filed 7/8/21, effective 8/8/21)

WAC 182-546-4700 Ambulance transportation—Ambulance transport fund—Purpose. Chapter 74.70 RCW establishes the quality assurance fee for specified providers of emergency ambulance services through July 1, ((2024)) 2028. The fee is added to base funding from all other sources to support additional medicaid payments. The fee applies to nonpublic and nonfederal providers of emergency ambulance services. This is a dedicated fund established within the state treasury, known as the ambulance transport fund. The ambulance transport fund is used to receive and distribute funds.