

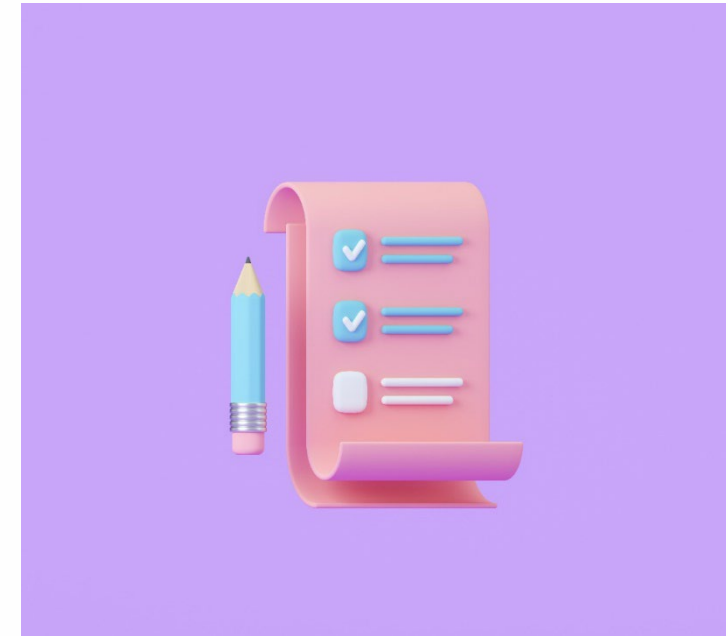
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RND Contractor Meeting

July 17, 2024

Agenda

- Welcome
- Contract Renewal Process
- WAC and RCW review
- LTCW credentials
- Audit moving forward
- Taxonomy issues
- CAQ WABON
- Q&A



*** Please keep your microphones on mute unless asked to unmute for comments. Cameras on can interfere with your connection if you are having problems. You can use the chat box for questions or raise your hand to be called on. Be respectful of others and wait your turn to be called on. Thank you!*

RCW and WAC Updates

WAC 246-840-930

12. m) Supervision shall occur at least every 90 days. With delegation of insulin injections, the supervision occurs at least every two weeks for the first four weeks and may be more frequent.

** It will be up to you to decide if you need more visits depending on the situation

Continued -

[WAC 246-840-935](#)

Nurse delegation—Blood glucose monitoring and testing in community-based and in-home care settings.

In community-based and in-home care settings, the registered nurse delegator may delegate blood glucose monitoring and testing only to registered or certified nursing assistants under chapter [18.88A](#) RCW or to home care aides certified under chapter [18.88B](#) RCW following the criteria for the setting defined in RCW [18.79.260](#).

RCW, WAC and Policy **** Please save this for your references**

Washington Administrative Code: [Nurse Delegation Rules WAC 246-840-910 thru 970](#)

Nurse Practice Act: [Nurse Delegation Law RCW 18.79A.260](#)

Medication Assistance Rules: [WAC 246-945](#) (formerly 246-888) there were no changes to the rule, however the Pharmacy Board changed the WAC as it is written. **** [WSR 24-06-047](#)**

[ALTSA Long Term Care Manual Chapter 13](#)

[DDA Policy 6.15](#)

Nursing:

[RCW 18.88A.200-230](#) Delegation Nursing Assistant Rules

[WAC 246-840-010](#) Registered Nurse

[WAC 246-840-700](#) RN Standards of nursing conduct or practice.

[WAC 246-841-400](#) Nursing Assistants

HCS: [WAC 388-71](#) Home Care Aide rules

RCS: [WAC 388-112A](#) Residential long-term care services training.

AFH: [WAC 388-76](#) Adult Family Home

ALF: [WAC 388-78A](#) Assisted Living

DDA: [WAC 388-823](#) Developmental Disabilities Administration

Additional Information:

- **Home Health Agency** – if you have a license and wish to get the agency rate, we are requiring you send us your license for verification and taxonomy change.
- **Private Duty Nursing contracts** are available and needed. If interested let us know. Contact Kaila.Odell@dshs.wa.gov
- **Skilled Nursing Contracts** are needed. Please let us know and we will get you the contact person for your Area Agency on Aging office.
- **WABON Suicide training** is required for your RN license through Department of Health. No verification required for DSHS.
- **WABON - New 2 hours of health equity continuing education requirement.** No verification required for DSHS.
- **Multi State license** – if you have one, please send us verification or let us know so we can update our records.
- **All contracts end June 30, 2024.** If we have not had a response to from you by June 15th you are at risk for not getting contract renewed.

Informational handouts for community:

Key Points for Pressure Injury Prevention

- Reposition every 15 minutes when seated and at least every two hours when lying down.
- Maintain a healthy diet and hydrate as recommended by your HCP.
- Protect your skin by bathing regularly and applying barrier cream as needed.
- Do daily skin checks paying special attention to the pressure points noted in this brochure. Use a mirror for hard-to-see areas or ask for assistance if unable to do a self-check. Bathing is a great time to do your daily skin inspections.
- Be active in your care. Notify your HCP about changes to your skin over pressure points (changes in color/texture, temperature or pain) and ask for treatment. Ask them to look at your skin.
- Consult with your HCP for other ways to prevent pressure injuries.



Our Services:

Our goal is to support your life's journey. We are here to help guide you to fulfilling your goals.

Contact for more information:

Nursingservices@dshs.wa.gov
https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa_homeand-communityservices/nursing-services
DDANursingServices@dshs.wa.gov
<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/nursing-services>

Area Agencies on Aging
Contact your local AAA office:

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/AL TSA/resources>

The information and graphics contained in this pamphlet are intended for general informational and educational purposes only and are not intended as a substitute for health care advice applicable to any specific individual's condition or for obtaining health care advice from a qualified professional. If you have specific questions, concerns or need health care advice about pressure injuries or pressure injury prevention you should contact an appropriate qualified professional.



Preventing Pressure Injuries

A Patient Guide to Prevention



DSHS Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
DSHS Developmental Disabilities Administration



Informational handouts for community:

The FAQ handout will be in PDF in the meeting notes. It is 2 pages and can be printed and shared.

Self Directed Care Handout:

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/documents/22-388.pdf>



What is Nurse Delegation?

A service where a Registered Nurse, who is contracted with DSHS, delegates specific skilled nursing tasks to nursing assistants (RCW 18.88A) or home care aids (RCW 18.88B). The RN, under their own license, provides training and oversight to the staff providing direct care to the client. Although the RN has a requirement to complete face to face visits with clients, they are not responsible to provide direct care (WAC 246-840).

Who is eligible for Nurse Delegation?

Medicaid eligible clients who reside or will reside in their own homes, an Adult Family Home or an Adult Residential Facility and have been assessed by HCS to have a skilled need that cannot be met by a community provider without oversight or another medical service that can be provided (like Home Health).

What is the referral process?

Once a skilled nursing task is identified, and if there is no medical provider to meet the need, HCS will make a referral to Nurse Delegator(s) if the client is transitioning to one of the approved settings.

Who determines if the need is able to be delegated?

The Nurse delegator will determine:

- If tasks are within the registered nurse's scope of practice (WAC 246-840).
- The client and task needing delegation are stable and predictable.
- The training and competency of the nursing assistant or home care aid to perform the task.
- Their comfort in supervising the actions of the worker performing the delegated task.

Provider Choice:

Nurse Delegators follow WAC 246-840-940 in determining if a task can be delegated but will also rely on their own clinical judgement and level of expertise in determining who they will serve.

HCS staff do not determine if a contracted Nurse Delegator can meet the need of a client, like all other providers, it is up to the individual Nurse to determine if they can meet the needs of the client (RCW 18.79.260).

Examples of tasks that may be Delegated?

Based on the nurse's determination, the following are examples of tasks that may be delegated:

- Oral and topical medication and administration
- Eye or ear drops and nasal sprays
- Gastrostomy tube feedings (including medication administration)
- Wound care must be simple, non-complex, does not require frequent nurse assessment and evaluation as determined by the delegating nurse
- Blood glucose monitoring, insulin or non-insulin injectables for the treatment of diabetes
- Non-sterile tracheal and oral suctioning

FEBRUARY 2024

Meeting Dates and Times **** Please mark your calendar**

2024 Virtual

September 18th 10 AM to 12 PM

November 13th 10 AM to 12 PM



*** We will be working on a way to get face to face and virtual meetings moving forward.**

Thank you for attending

Meeting notes will be posted NEXT week to:

[DSHS AL TSA Nurse Delegation Program:](#)
[Contractor Meetings](#)

For Delegation questions email:

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Troy O'Malley Contract Monitor

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For DDA client questions email:

Erika.Parada@dshs.wa.gov

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Questions??