



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
Department of Social and Health Services  
SOLE SOURCE POSTING

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The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), contemplates awarding a sole source contract to SEIU Healthcare Northwest Training Partnership to provide Training and Support to Personal Caregivers for WA Cares Clients.

RCW 50b.04.070 calls for WA Cares Clients to be able to hire spouses and other qualified family members as Individual Providers or through a home care agency. These spouses or domestic partners hired for personal care of WA Cares Clients must take a 21-hour training course for unionized in-home care givers, which needs to be created.

DSHS intends to enter into a two (2) year contract with SEIU Healthcare Northwest Training Partnership. The contract will be issued on or after September 12, 2025, and will continue for a two (2) year initial term. The cost of this two (2) year contract is \$511,700.

Vendors contemplating the above requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet the state's requirements within fifteen (15) working days of this announcement.

Capability statements should address the following state requirements:

1. Ability to administer training for unionized in-home care givers as per the requirements of RCW 74.39A.360.
2. Ability to research and develop the newly required spouse/domestic partner training by 6/1/2026.
3. Ability to interface with the state's Consumer Directed Employer and all collectively bargained home care agencies for learner tracking and communication.

In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract.

To submit capability statements or for questions, contact:

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