



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**  
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**NOTICE**

**Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 24-0007 Behavioral and Community Health Aides – New SPA Number**

**Effective Date:** On or after January 1, 2024

**Description:** The Health Care Authority (HCA) previously published notices under WSR# 22-20-065, 22-23-111, and 23-06-048 of the intent to submit a Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) to establish two new provider types in the Medicaid State Plan: Community Health Aides/Practitioners (CHA) and Behavioral Health Aides/Practitioners (BHA). Submission of a SPA was delayed until this year, necessitating renumbering the SPA as 24-0007. In addition to the two provider types listed, SPA 24-0007 will also add Dental Health Aides (DHAs).

As stated previously, this SPA is expected to increase the annual aggregate payment as it introduces new provider types to be reimbursed by Medicaid. However, because these are new provider types, HCA has no data upon which to estimate a financial impact at this time.

SPA 24-0007 is in the development process; therefore, a copy is not yet available for review. HCA would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy when it becomes available or submit comments, please contact the person named below (please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment).

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