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Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: The agency is streamlining eligibility for the state-funded long-term care program, including removing the age requirement and eliminating the disability determination requirement while retaining the functional eligibility requirement. The proposed rules also reflect necessary housekeeping revisions to align with organizational changes within the Department of Social and Health Services.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:

Repealed:

Amended: 182-507-0125, 182-513-1319

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160

Other authority: None

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 25-16-079 on August 4, 2025 (date).

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

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The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

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| Negotiated rule making: | New | _____ | Amended | _____ | Repealed | _____ |
| Pilot rule making: | New | _____ | Amended | _____ | Repealed | _____ |
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Date Adopted: September 10, 2025

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WAC 182-507-0125 State-funded long-term care services. (1) Caseload limits.

(a) The state-funded long-term care services program is subject to caseload limits determined by legislative funding.

(b) ~~The ((aging and long-term support administration (ALTSA) or the developmental disabilities administration (DDA)))~~ home and community living administration (HCLA) must preauthorize state-funded long-term care service before payments begin.

(c) ~~((ALTSA or DDA))~~ HCLA cannot authorize a service, under chapter 388-106 WAC or under chapter 388-825 WAC, if doing so would exceed statutory caseload limits.

(2) **Location of services.** State-funded long-term care services may be provided in:

(a) The person's own home, defined in WAC 388-106-0010;

(b) An adult family home, defined in WAC 182-513-1100;

(c) An assisted living facility, defined in WAC 182-513-1100;

(d) An enhanced adult residential care facility, defined in WAC 182-513-1100;

(e) An adult residential care facility, defined in WAC 182-513-1100;

(f) A nursing facility, defined in WAC 182-500-0050, but only if nursing facility care is necessary to sustain life; or

(g) A residential habilitation center, defined in WAC 388-835-0010, that is an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF/IID), defined in WAC 182-500-0050.

(3) **Client eligibility.** To be eligible for the state-funded long-term care services program, a person must meet all of the following conditions:

(a) General eligibility requirements for medical programs under WAC 182-503-0505, except (c) and (d) of this subsection;

(b) ~~((Be age 19 or older;~~

~~(e)))~~ Reside in one of the locations under subsection (2) of this section;

~~((d)))~~ (c) Attain institutional status under WAC 182-513-1320;

~~((e)))~~ (d) Meet the functional eligibility requirements under WAC 388-106-0355 for nursing facility level of care or under WAC 388-845-0030 for ICF/IID level of care;

(e) Meet the financial eligibility requirements under WAC 182-513-1315;

(f) Not have a penalty period due to a transfer of assets under WAC 182-513-1363;

(g) Not have equity interest in a primary residence more than the amount under WAC 182-513-1350; and

(h) Meet the requirements under chapter 182-516 WAC for annuities owned by the person or the person's spouse.

(4) **General limitations.**

(a) If a person entered Washington only to obtain medical care, the person is ineligible for state-funded long-term care services.

(b) Disability requirements under WAC 182-512-0050 do not apply to state-funded long-term care services.

(c) The certification period for state-funded long-term care services may not exceed 12 months.

~~((e))~~ (d) People who qualify for state-funded long-term care services receive categorically needy (CN) medical coverage under WAC 182-501-0060.

~~((5) Supplemental security income (SSI)-related program limitations.~~

~~(a) A person who is related to the SSI program under WAC 182-512-0050 (1), (2), and (3) must meet the financial requirements under WAC 182-513-1315 to be eligible for state-funded long-term care services.~~

~~(b) An SSI-related)~~ (e) A person who is not eligible for the state-funded long-term care services program under CN rules may qualify under medically needy (MN) rules under WAC 182-513-1395.

~~((e))~~ (f) The agency determines how much ~~((an SSI-related))~~ a person is required to pay toward the cost of care, using:

(i) WAC 182-513-1380, if the person resides in a nursing facility or residential habilitation center.

(ii) WAC 182-515-1505 or 182-515-1510, if the person resides in one of the locations listed in subsection (2)(a) through (e) of this section.

~~((6) Modified adjusted gross income (MAGI)-based program limitations.~~

~~(a) A person who is related to the MAGI-based program may be eligible for state-funded long-term care services under this section and chapter 182-514 WAC if the person resides in a nursing facility.~~

~~(b) A MAGI-related person is not eligible for residential or in-home care state-funded long-term care services unless the person also meets the SSI-related eligibility criteria under subsection (5)(a) of this section.~~

~~(c) A MAGI-based person does not pay toward the cost of care in a nursing facility.~~

~~(7))~~ (5) Current resource, income, PNA, and room and board standards are found at www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/i-help-others-apply-and-access-apple-health/program-standard-income-and-resources.

WAC 182-513-1319 State-funded programs for noncitizens who are not eligible for a federally funded program. (1) This section describes the state-funded programs available to a person who does not meet the citizenship and immigration status criteria under WAC 182-513-1316 for federally funded coverage.

(2) If a person meets the eligibility and incapacity criteria of the medical care services (MCS) program under WAC 182-508-0005, the person may receive nursing facility care or state-funded residential services in an alternate living facility (ALF).

(3) Noncitizens (~~((age nineteen or older))~~) may be eligible for the state-funded long-term care services program under WAC 182-507-0125. A person must be preapproved by the (~~((aging and long-term support administration (AL TSA)))~~) home and community living administration (HCLA) for this program due to enrollment limits.

(4) Noncitizens (~~((under age nineteen))~~) who meet citizenship and immigration status under WAC 182-503-0535 (2)(e) are eligible for:

(a) Nursing facility services if the person meets nursing facility level of care; or

(b) State-funded personal care services if functionally eligible based on a department assessment under chapter 388-106 or 388-845 WAC.