



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

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**NOTICE**

**Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 19-0026 Health Care for Workers with Disabilities (HWD)**

**Effective Date: January 1, 2020**

**Description:** The Health Care Authority (HCA) intends to submit SPA 19-0026 to implement Substitute House Bill (SHB) 1199. Effective January 1, 2020, SHB 1199 amends RCW 74.09.540 to modify financial eligibility requirements for the Apple Health for Workers with Disabilities (HWD) program. Currently, the income limit for HWD is 220% of the federal poverty level (FPL), and the age limit is 65 years of age. Effective January 1, 2020, no test for income or age will be used when determining eligibility. For the general population, income will be used only when determining the monthly premium requirement for maintaining eligibility.

SPA 19-0026 is expected to increase the annual aggregate payments for State Fiscal Years (SFYs) as follows:

SFY 2020	SFY 2021	SFY 2022	SFY 2023	SFY 2024	SFY 2025
\$39,000	\$281,000	\$559,000	\$833,000	\$1,067,000	\$1,096,000

SPA 19-0026 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, you may contact the person named below. To 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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