



STATE OF WASHINGTON
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY
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February 23, 2026

NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 26-0005 Withdrawal Management Services Payments

Effective Date: January 1, 2027

Description: The Health Care Authority (HCA) intends to submit Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 26-0005 to add information regarding per diem payments to hospitals for acute inpatient withdrawal management services provided to post-partum people. For acute inpatient withdrawal management services provided to post-partum people with a diagnosis of drug or alcohol use complicating the puerperium (the six weeks following delivery when the body is returning to a pre-pregnancy state), a flat fee enhancement will be paid in addition to the standard hospital-specific withdrawal management services rate.

SPA 26-0005 is expected to increase annual aggregate expenditures/payments by \$2.3 million.

A draft SPA is available for review. HCA would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy of the SPA or submit comments, you may contact the person named below by March 23, 2026 (please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment).

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