Title: Certifying eligibility for dependent children with disabilities who are age 26 and older

Policy #36-1

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Supersedes: Policy 4-02 – Certification of a Dependent with a Disability

RCW 48.20.420

Associated WAC: 182-12-260  
Supersedes: Policy 4-02 – Certification of a Dependent with a Disability

182-12-262

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Associated Procedures:

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Purpose

This policy applies whenever a subscriber requests to enroll a dependent child with a disability who is age 26 and older.

Policy

1. A dependent with a disability must meet medical eligibility criteria to be enrolled on a PEBB subscriber account.
   
a. The subscriber’s health plan will conduct a medical review to determine whether a dependent meets the medical requirements of a dependent with a disability based on the following:
      i. The dependent is incapable of self-support.
      ii. There is medical evidence which supports the disability having occurred prior to the dependent’s 26th birthday and having been continuous since it first occurred.
   
b. If a dependent with disabilities changes health plans, the new health plan will conduct a medical review to continue the dependent’s disability certification.
   
c. Dependents who fail the health plan’s medical review may appeal to the health plan.
2. A subscriber who requests to enroll a dependent with a disability must meet the PEBB Program’s eligibility and procedural requirements described in WAC 182-12-260 and WAC 182-12-262.
   a. The PEBB Program will review the subscriber’s enrollment request to determine if the subscriber satisfied the following eligibility and procedural requirements:
      i. The subscriber provided evidence of the dependent’s eligibility described in WAC 182-12-260.
      ii. The subscriber submitted the enrollment form within the required time frame.
   b. A subscriber who failed to provide evidence of the dependent’s eligibility or failed to satisfy procedural requirements described in WAC 182-12-262 may appeal the denial to the PEBB Appeals Committee by following the process described in chapter 182-16 WAC.