

## Q&A: RCW 74.09.195 – Provider Audit Rights & Responsibilities (2025)

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Quick Reference for Medicaid Providers, accompanied by the 2025 Annual Medicaid Provider Audit Training.

### **What is RCW 74.09.195?**

A Washington State law that outlines how Medicaid provider audits must be conducted. It ensures fairness, transparency, and due process for all providers.

### **How much notice will I receive before an audit?**

You will receive at least 30 calendar days' written notice before an audit.  
*Exceptions: Suspected fraud or urgent public health risks.*

### **How can I submit records?**

You may submit documentation electronically, including CD, DVD, fax, or secure digital formats.

### **Can the agency review the same claim more than once?**

HCA makes reasonable effort to avoid reviewing the same claim more than once.

### **What happens if the audit identifies findings?**

The provider will receive a written explanation that includes:

- Specific audit results.
- Appeal rights.
- Instructions for corrections or adjustments.

### **How long does the agency have to issue a preliminary report?**

A preliminary audit report must be issued within 120 days after all requested records are received.

### **What are my responsibilities during an audit?**

- Respond promptly to audit notices.
- Submit complete and accurate documentation.
- Review findings carefully.
- Appeal if you disagree.
- Communicate with the lead auditor, found on the audit notice.

### **Where can I find more information or training?**

For full statutory requirements, additional training, and provider resources, visit: [HCA's Program Integrity Website](#).