



# RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

## CR-103P (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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**Agency:** Health Care Authority

**Effective date of rule:**

**Permanent Rules**

- 31 days after filing.
- Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

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

- Yes  No If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** HCA is expanding the age limit for the enhancement rate for pediatric care services and the administration of vaccines provided to clients from age 18 and younger to age 20 and younger.

**Citation of rules affected by this order:**

New:  
 Repealed:  
 Amended: 182-531-2030  
 Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160

**Other authority:** RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160

**PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)**

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 24-10-079 on April 30, 2024 (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:**

Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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**The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:**


New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	___	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	___
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**The number of sections adopted using:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Pilot rule making:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Other alternative rule making:	New	___	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	___

<b>Date Adopted:</b> June 5, 2024	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Name:</b> Wendy Barcus	
<b>Title:</b> HCA Rules Coordinator	

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-17-047, filed 8/8/18, effective 10/1/18)

**WAC 182-531-2030 Enhanced rates for pediatric care services and administration of vaccines.** (1) Subject to available funds, the medicaid agency pays an enhanced rate for covered pediatric care services and the administration of vaccines provided to clients age (~~eighteen~~) 20 and younger.

(2) For the purposes of this section, pediatric care services are defined as covered evaluation and management services.

(3) The agency uses the resource-based relative value scale (RBRVS) payment methodology described in WAC 182-531-1850 to calculate the enhanced rate.

(4) If the enhanced rate is less than the agency's published fee schedule rate, the agency pays the published rate.

(5) This enhanced rate applies only to pediatric care services and administration of vaccines for clients age (~~eighteen~~) 20 and younger that are not already paid at an enhanced rate.