

COPES Waiver Services

Skilled Nursing

When to Authorize

Authorize skilled nursing services within the scope of the State's Nurse Practice Act when:

- the client requires services beyond the scope which can be provided by non-licensed staff; and
- the skilled nursing services are medically necessary to ensure the client's health, welfare and safety; and
- without which the client would require admittance into a nursing facility.
- There is no limit to the number of visits case managers may authorize. Service Units will be authorized based on client need. Do not authorize for Assisted Living or Enhanced Adult Residential Care.

Additional Information

This service is authorized in addition to any home health agency skilled nursing services available to the client through either Medicare or the use of the client's medical identification card. This service shall not replace nor be a substitute for the Medicare or regular Medicaid home health agency skilled visits. Use this service only when the Medicare or the regular Medicaid home health agency skilled visits are not sufficient in amount, duration and scope to meet the client's home care needs.

This service should not be used if client is receiving skilled nursing services through any home health agency funded by Medicare or the client's State of Washington services card and those services are sufficient to cover the client's needs.

Skilled Nursing Special Circumstances

This service and rate were developed to allow access to COPES skilled nursing services when circumstances are extraordinary. Parameters for this service code include unusual client care need and remote location of the client. The Special Circumstances Skilled Nursing Rate is negotiated by the case manager.

ADSA Headquarters approval is required prior to authorization of this service code. This request is made via the Exception to Rule (ETR) process in CARE.

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Standard Rate

P1 T1030

Rate: \$57.22 Per Daily Visit

P1 T1030 U1 Additional Daily Visit \$57.22 - \$95.55

Approval by HQ needed for amount over \$57.22

Max Units: based on client need

Special Circumstances Rate

P1 T1030 CG

Rate: \$95.55 Daily Visit

Max Units: based on client need

Note: During COVID-19 an additional daily rate should be added to authorizations using P1 Code SA020 U6

- \$5.44 from 3/1/20 – 6/30/20
- \$3.60 from 7/1/20-3/31/21

<i>Provider #</i>	<i>Provider Name</i>	<i>Contact Information</i>
P1# 102088701	Sea Mar Community Health Centers - Home Health 8915 14th Ave S Seattle, WA 98108	Phone: (206) 764-4717 Fax: (206) 764-8072 Intake/Manager: Deb Ned Referral Most nurses are bilingual in English and Spanish
P1# 200128701	Wesley Homes 815 S 216th St Des Moines, WA 98198 Serves south king county up to Seattle city limits only	Phone: (206) 870-1318 Fax: (206) 870-4165 Contact: Claudia Cheatom Email: ccheatom@wesleyhomes.org Referral