
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 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 the 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.

ALTSA 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

\$68.66 per Daily Visit for Home Health Agencies (Sea Mar & Wesley Homes)

\$57.22 per Daily Visit for Individual Nurses

Additional Daily Visit Rate P1 T1030 U1

Individual Nurses \$57.22 - \$95.55

Home Health Agency \$68.66-\$114.66

Max Units: Based on client need

Special Circumstances Rate P1 T1030 CG

Individual Nurses Rate of up to \$95.55 per Daily Visit

Home Health Agency Rate of up to \$114.66 per Daily Visit

Max Units: Based on client need

Approval by HQ is needed for all amounts over the standard rates.

Note: Per [MB H23-083](#) an additional daily rate should be added to authorizations using P1 Code SA020 U6 in the amount of \$0.72 from 01/01/2024-06/30/2024.

<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 *Serves parts of Seattle and King County per nursing availability. No capacity to serve east King County.	Phone: (206) 764-4717 Fax: (206) 764-8072 Intake/Manager: Deb Ned Email: Deborahned@seamarchc.org Skilled Nursing RN Sea Mar Referral Form Most nurses are bilingual in English and Spanish.
P1# 200128701	Wesley Homes* 815 S 216th St Des Moines, WA 98198 *Serves clients in these zip codes: 98158, 98168, 98188, 98106, 98126, 98136, 98146, 98178, 98001, 98002, 98092, 98146, 98148, 98166, 98168, 98030, 98031, 98032, 98042, 98038, 98055, 98056, 98057, 98058, 98059*	Phone: (206) 870-1318 Fax: (206) 870-4165 Contact: Tammy Barrier Email: tbarrier@wesleyhomes.org Skilled Nursing Wesley Homes Referral Form