

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

WAC 296-20-010 General Information, WAC 296-20-125 Billing procedures, WAC 296-23A-0160 How must hospitals submit charges for ambulance and professional services?, WAC 296-23A-0230 How does the department or self-insurer pay out-of-state hospitals for hospital services?, WAC 296-31-080 How do providers bill for services?

The purpose of this rulemaking: a). The department is complying with federal directive to transition from the current national hospital billing form (the U-92) to the new national hospital billing form (the UB-04). b).The department will further replace any reference to the national HCFA 1500 Health Insurance Claim Form with new form identifier CMS 1500 Health Insurance Claim Form.c).The department also will update out-dated mailing address, contact, and reference material information in our rules.

The intended date of Adoption for this rule is April 03, 2007

The intended Effective date for this rule is May 23, 2007

The purpose of this document is to respond to the oral and written comments received through the public comment period and public hearing.

The public comment period for this rulemaking began January 2, 2007 and ended February 28, 2007.

A Public Hearing was held on February 21, 2007. No one from the public testified or attended the public hearing.

Comments Received: None

Department Response: NA