



WA Cares Interested
Parties Meeting
4/16/2025

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Agenda

- Housekeeping
- Rulemaking updates
- Draft rule text review

Housekeeping

- Chat will become available shortly. If you need to reach a presenter, please use the Q&A feature.
- For webinar recording, please go to: <https://wacaresfund.wa.gov/rulemaking>.

Rulemaking updates

- In addition to this rulemaking project, DSHS is currently working on the following rulemaking projects for WA Cares:
 - Eligible relative care
 - Appeals for beneficiaries and providers
 - Rates for approved services
 - Reimbursements for purchases of approved services by a beneficiary
 - Notifications to beneficiaries and providers

Rulemaking update

- Interested parties meeting to review draft rule text
 - 4/16/2025
 - 4/23/2025
- Comments and feedback must be submitted by 5:00pm on 4/23/2025
- WA Cares staff will review feedback as it's received

Our ask today

- We want fresh eyes on the rule text. Please let us know what you see and, if possible, what you think could improve the material.
- Please let us know if you see an impact from the rules for beneficiaries, providers, or others who will be participating or engaging with the program.
- If something is unclear, please bring it to our attention.

Some questions to start us off:

- Is the rule text written in a way you can understand?
- Are the definitions and how they are used clear?
- Are you clear on the expectations for beneficiaries applying for services?
- Are you clear on the expectations for providers applying to provide services?



Draft rule text review

Resources

- DSHS website: <https://wacaresfund.wa.gov/rulemaking>
- ESD website: <https://esd.wa.gov/newsroom/rulemaking/ltss>
- HCA website: <https://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking>
- Questions related to the WA Cares program, please email WACares@dshs.wa.gov



Thank you!

We look forward to continuing this discussion in upcoming meetings

Questions about the WA Cares Fund rulemaking process?

Contact Arielle Finney at Arielle.Finney2@dshs.wa.gov

Questions about the WA Cares Fund program?

Contact the WA Cares Fund Customer Care Team at WACares@dshs.wa.gov