**Private Duty Nursing Meeting 06/15/2023**

**ALTSA Private Duty Nursing Website:** <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/private-duty-nursing>

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**Topics and Notes**

* **Updated Skilled Nursing Task Log:** There is a new SNTL that has been published for use. Please use the new SNTL from now on. The SNTL can be found on the [PDN Website](https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/private-duty-nursing).
* **How to fill out the SNTL:** Please see the meeting presentation for the SNTL training handout.
* **Skilled Nursing Task Log WACs:** [**PDN WAC’s 388-106-1000 to 388-106-1055**](https://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=388-106-1025)
  + **WAC 388-106-1035** – What requirements must a home health agency meet in order to provide and be paid for my PDN? (4)
  + **WAC 388-106-1040** – What requirements must an RN, or LPN under the supervision of an RN, meet in order to provide and get paid for my PDN services? (10)
  + **WAC 388-106-1045** – When may I receive private duty nursing (PDN) services in a contracted PDN adult family home (AFH)? (f) .
* **New SNTL form clarification:** In the March PDN meeting, you were told that the hour block on the SNTL should equal to 60 minutes maximum. If multiple tasks are being performed within the hour simultaneously, you can fill in those times for each task even if the total number of minutes for the column exceeds 60 minutes in the updated SNTL version.

**Questions & Answers**

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| **Question** | **Answer** |
| Should we be placing cough assist on the back page since it is not addressed under the respiratory section? | Yes, any skilled nursing task that is not listed on can be written in under Section 5: Other Skilled Nursing Tasks. Simply write in your task and add the time spent as well as your initials in the corresponding boxes.  Please ensure that the task being handwritten in is a skilled nursing task that cannot be delegated and therefore, must be performed by either and RN or LPN or IP. |
| Are PDN Nurses documenting non-hands-on care, such as 24-hour ventilation without interventions? | Please refer to WAC 388-106-1010 requirements for meeting skilled care nursing needs. If a client is on 24-hr vent care, for example, the nurse can document that this in the SNTL, however, in addition the PDN provider would include, respiratory assessment, 02 monitoring, suctioning, and whatever additional skilled nursing tasks are being completed. I will offer further conversation to clarify if needed. |
| Does the care plan need to be updated/signed by the provider every 6 months? | Yes, the care plan needs to be updated by the client’s provider every 6 months. Please see PDN WAC 388-106-1035(3), 388-106-1045(3), etc. |
| Can you define "skilled nursing care"? | PDN WAC 388-106-1010 outlines what items are considered a skilled nursing task and meet PDN eligibility requirements.  These are tasks that must be completed by RN/LPN or informal support (family), in accordance with the WAC. |
| For AHF providers, does the 8 hours of care also need to be continuous? | Per WAC 388-106-1045(b), …minimum of eight hours of PDN services per day.  The 4 or more continuous hours of PDN must be met.  In addition, WAC 388-106-1045, outlines AFH all inclusive rate requirements. |
| How often do we turn the SNTL to the NCC? | Per WAC 388-106-1040 (10), initial PDN determination, ongoing eligibility every 6 months.  However, if your client has a significant change of condition, please ensure you are communicating with your NCC and providing them documentation that speaks to this. |

**Helpful Links**

**Private Duty Nursing Washington Administrative Codes, 388-106-1000 to 1055:** <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=388-106-1025>

**Billing Guide**: <https://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/billers-and-providers/providerone-billing-and-resource-guide.pdf>

**DDA Nursing Services Website:** <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/dda/nursing-services>

**HCS GovDelivery:** <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADSHSALTSA/subscriber/new?preferences=true#tab1>

**DDA GovDelivery**: <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADSHSDDA/subscribers/new>