**Topics from Nurse Delegation Meeting 10/20/2021**



**Vaccine Mandate Update:**

No new information. As a group we did not have a large loss of contracted RND’s or effects on client care. Please see the DOH website for guidelines for Safety and protection of clients. <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19>

**DOH COVID-19 Misinformation** - See below notes and DOH website.

**Emergency Rules Updates**: These will be in place through the pandemic or until otherwise notified.

**Emergency Planning:** If you are an RND that would be able to step in to take clients in an emergency please email [nursedelegation@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:nursedelegation@dshs.wa.gov) with the following information:

* Your name and contact information
* Your county or region
* Number of clients available to take
* Preferred setting/agency if you have one

**Updated to DSHS Nursing Forms**: ACES ID added to the forms and the case managers are to provide this on the referral form or obtain from them for current clients. The facility may also have this information for you.

* ACES is an acronym for **the Automated Client Eligibility System**. This system is used by the State of Washington's Department of Social and Health Services. ACES supports the operations of the department by integrating DSHS programs under a single, client-based, on-line system.

**Secure Email System**: attached at the bottom is the information I received from the SAW department this week for assistance. If continuing to have problems, please email [nursedelegation@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:nursedelegation@dshs.wa.gov)

**GovDelivery**: see below for information and please sign up or review your sign up if you haven’t already.

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| **Question** | **Answer** |
| Do foster parents of clients over the age of 18 need to be delegated? | Foster parents do not need to be delegated. This question probably has more of a backstory than this alone so if you have questions regarding this topic, please reach out to the PM. |
| Will the Nurse Delegation program ever be available in other states? | Do not know what other states are doing. |
| What is considered to be misinformation? | Please read the Statement from the DOH <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/6000/NCQACstatement09102021.pdf> |
| Who do we contact regarding the NAR process? | You would contact Department of Health for any questions regarding the NAR process. Phone: 360-236-4700 Email: [hsqa.csc@doh.wa.gov](mailto:hsqa.csc@doh.wa.gov)  See link below. |
| What is an ACES number and who provides it? | ACES is an acronym for **the Automated Client Eligibility System**. This system is used by the State of Washington's Department of Social and Health Services. ACES supports the operations of the department by integrating DSHS programs under a single, client-based, on-line system. |
| Is it possible to get emergency approval for statewide ND coverage as opposed to the counties we are approved for? | You can choose the counties you want to work in. It is not an approval process. You can change it with the Select Counties form that was returned with your contract application and if you need that email [nursingcontracts@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:nursingcontracts@dshs.wa.gov) to request. |
| Is there a way to store email address in the email system? | You will need to store addresses in your system however it works best for you. |
| Are we able to go back to the old email system? | No |
| What is GovDelivery? | GovDelivery is a subscription-based service that allows you to subscribe to news and information bulletins from various Government entities. Link below |
| What is an IP? | Individual Providers (IP) are caregivers who are qualified and contracted with Washington State to provide in-home caregiving to those eligible for Medicaid in-home care services. |
| Is a credential required prior to completing delegation core? | Anyone, can take the ND Core training and it must be completed and verified by RND prior to any delegation. |
| Is there any training required before the NAR application? | Please see the link below for the NAR application process with DOH. |
| In a facility, can any RN at the facility delegate to caregiver? | Any RN can delegate in the state of WA. You need to have a contract with DSHS to delegate to Medicaid clients. You also need to follow the rules set by DOH and the facility rules depending on the facility you are working in. |
| For ICD codes may be the dx listed on referral packet work? | See the next answer and link below. |
| Do you know how to change from an ICD10 to a P1 code? | I am attaching the link to the Billing Tutorial for Provider1. This is also found on the Nurse Delegation website. |
| Why is the ICD-10 on the referral form? | It is not on the form. It is up to you as the biller to determine the ICD code. I know there are some RND’s out there that have a sheet with the frequently used codes and may be able to share. |
| Is there a list of active nurse delegators and their contact info? | You can find a list of active nurse delegators here: <https://fortress.wa.gov/dshs/adsaapps/Professional/ND/ACD.aspx> |

**Links**

ALTSA Community Nurse Delegation website**:** <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/nurse-delegation-program>

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

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

Previously issued provider letters: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/altsa-provider-letters?=Apply&field_date_value%5Bvalue%5D%5Byear%5D=2020&subject=&type=All&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery>

Nursing Assistant Registered Application Information: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/NursingAssistant/ApplyOnline/NursingAssistantRegistered>

IDC-10 Code Lookup: [www.icd10data.com](http://www.icd10data.com)

Billing Tutorial: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/sites/default/files/ALTSA/hcs/documents/ND/P1%20Common%20Billing%20Questions.pdf>



