

New service areas used to set Assisted Living Facility (ALF) related rates. This includes AL, ARC, EARC, ALF-ECS, and ALF related Capital Add-on rates.

Effective July 1, 2019

These service areas are calculated based on the new ALF payment methodology that uses blended wages and a county index. Counties at or below the median are now called Standard, those above median are now Medium-High, and those at the 95th percentile are High cost areas. Note that because we are using medians, the counties may shift between service areas with each rate increase, per RCW 74.39A.032. See green map for services in old service areas.

High, Medium-High, Standard Areas will be used for ALF related rates, with the exception of SDC.

High - Medium-High - Standard Cost Service Areas (2020)

