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**Updated Level I Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR or PASARR)
Form**

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) is a federal requirement in [42 CFR §483.100–138](#), that requires all applicants to Medicaid-certified nursing facilities (NFs) be screened for possible serious mental illness (SMI), intellectual disability (ID), or related conditions (RC), and offered the most appropriate setting with the services they need. An individual cannot be admitted to a Medicaid-certified NF before a Level I PASRR form is completed.

To maintain alignment with federal mandates and meet the evolving needs of individuals in NFs, Washington State Level I PASRR forms are updated periodically. Referring providers are required to use the most current Level I PASRR form to maintain compliance with state and federal PASRR regulations. The most recent update to the Level I PASRR form ([DSHS 14-300](#)) was in **June 2025**.

The department was recently notified of a printing error on the revised Level I PASRR form. Some forms incorrectly listed a revision date of **April 2025**, instead of **June 2025**. This error has been corrected, and the forms have been re-released with a revision date of **June 2025**.

Please note that the printing error of the date did not affect the content of the form and the **June 2025** revisions remain valid.

The updated Level I PASRR form (June 2025) included the following updates:

Section 1 – SMI – ID or RC Determination

- This section has been extensively clarified to include 'known or suspected' indicators for SMI, as well as simplification of what constitutes as a functional limitation. Additionally, questions related to ID/RC have been simplified to indicate which questions to address and when.
- New indicators have been added to identify when this form should be forwarded for further review to WA state's SMI and Developmental Disabilities Community Services (DDCS) /ID/RC PASRR Teams, eliminating the guesswork of if a referral is or isn't needed.

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- **Effective immediately**, community providers (including hospitals and NFs) should ensure they are using the correct version of the updated Level I PASRR forms with the revision date of **June 2025**.
- **Transition Period (July 16, 2025 – February 28, 2026)**: During this timeframe, both the **April 2025** and **June 2025** versions of the Level I PASRR form are acceptable.
- If the NF receives an outdated Level I PASRR form from the referring hospital or provider (**for the admitting resident on or after March 1, 2026**) the NF should either request that the referring party complete a new form before admission, or the NF should complete a new form, noting in the resident's chart why a new form was completed.
- A NF may be cited during a survey or complaint investigation if they fail to use the updated **June 2025** form **for any NF admission on or after March 1, 2026**.
- Level I PASRR forms ([DSHS 14-300](#)) should be accessed from the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) webs at [DSHS Electronic Forms](#) to ensure the most current version is being used.

NF Providers will:

Effective immediately -

- Ensure they are using the correct version of the updated Level I PASRR forms with the revision date of **June 2025**.

Starting March 1, 2026 -


- Not permit residents to admit to the NF without the updated Level I PASRR form or complete a new form, noting in the resident's chart why a new Level I PASRR form was completed.

RCS NH staff will:

- Review and become familiar with the revised guidance in the memorandum.
- **Not cite** NFs for using the **April 2025** form for NF admissions between **July 16, 2025**, and **February 28, 2026**.
- Beginning **March 1, 2026**, **cite F645** [\[42 CFR §483.20\(k\)\]](#) for failure to use the **June 2025** Level I PASRR form.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Meyers, Nursing Home Policy Program Manager, RCS, at RCSPolicy@dshs.wa.gov; or [Beth Loska](#) or [Tabitha Craven](#), Health Care Programs Managers, HCA; or [Heidi Johnston](#), PASRR Program Manager, DDCS.

Sincerely,



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Attachments: [Level I PASRR form, DSHS 14-300 \(June 2025\)](#)

Related References: [42 CFR §483.100–138](#); [F645, 42 CFR §483.20\(k\)](#)