

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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NH #2025-024 UPDATED LEVEL I PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING AND RESIDENT REVIEW (PASRR OR PASARR) FORM

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) is writing to inform nursing facility (NF) providers that the Washington (WA) State Level I PASRR form (DSHS 14-300) was recently updated and released on **June 16, 2025**.

PASRR is a federal requirement per <u>42 CFR §483.100–138</u>, that requires all applicants to Medicaid-certified 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.

The previous version of the Level I PASRR form, last updated in September 2018, was revised to better align with federal regulations and address the evolving needs of individuals in NFs.

The updated Level I PASRR form (June 2025) includes the following revisions:

- <u>Section 1</u> 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 DDA (Developmental Disability Administration)/ID/RC PASRR Teams, eliminating the guesswork of if a referral is or is not needed.
- <u>Hospitals and NF providers should begin using the updated Level I PASRR forms as soon</u> <u>as possible</u>. The final date for implementing the updated form is July 16, 2025.
 - If the NF receives an outdated Level I PASRR form (September 2018) from the referring hospital or provider (for the admitting resident on or after June 16, 2025), the NF should either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 form (June 2025) *for any NF admission on or after July 16, 2025.*

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• Level I PASRR forms (DSHS 14-300) should be accessed from the DSHS website at <u>DSHS</u> <u>Electronic Forms</u> to ensure the most current version is being used.

NF Providers will:

Effective immediately -

• Use the updated Level I PASRR form dated **June 2025** for any admission on or after **June 16, 2025**.

Starting July 16, 2025 -

 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:

Effective Immediately -

• Review and become familiar with the revisions in the updated Level I PASRR form.

Starting July 16, 2025 -

 During PASRR review, verify that NFs are using the June 2025, Level I PASRR form and if the updated version of the form is not being used, cite for noncompliance at F645 [42 CFR §483.20(k)].

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 <u>RCSPolicy@dshs.wa.gov;</u> or <u>Beth Loska</u> or <u>Tabitha Craven</u>, Medical Assistance Program Specialists, HCA; or <u>Heidi Johnston</u>, PASRR Program Manager, DDA.

Sincerely,

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Amy Abbott, Director Residential Care Services

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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)