

RCW 48.43.0725 Reproductive health plan coverage—Immediate postpartum contraception devices. (1) For births taking place in a licensed hospital or birthing center, a health plan must allow a provider to separately bill for devices, implants, professional services, or a combination thereof, associated with immediate postpartum contraception and may not consider such devices, implants, services, or combinations thereof to be part of any payments for general obstetric procedures.

(2) For purposes of this section, "immediate postpartum contraception" means the postpartum insertion of intrauterine devices or contraceptive implants performed before the patient is discharged from the hospital or birthing center and includes the devices or implants themselves.

(3) This section does not apply to facility services associated with immediate postpartum contraception.

(4) Nothing in this section affects an enrollee's right to directly access women's health care services, including contraceptive services.

(5) This section applies to health plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2023. [2022 c 122 s 3.]

Findings—Intent—2022 c 122: See note following RCW 41.05.430.