

WAC 388-97-15801 Tuberculosis—Test records—Requirements in effect January 25, 2021, through September 23, 2021, in response to the state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic. (1) In response to the state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the department adopted emergency rules under RCW 34.05.350 on January 25, 2021, to amend and suspend portions of WAC 388-97-1580. The emergency rules remained in effect until September 23, 2021. The following rule was in effect during that time:

(2) The nursing home must:

(a) Keep the records of tuberculin test results, reports of X-ray findings, and any physician or public health provider orders in the nursing home;

(b) Keep the records of the tuberculosis symptom assessment and the documented rationale for deferring the tuberculosis testing in the nursing home, if tuberculosis testing is deferred in accordance with WAC 388-97-1380(2);

(c) Make the records readily available to the appropriate health authority and licensing agency;

(d) Retain the records for 18 months beyond the date of employment termination; and

(e) Provide the person a copy of their test results.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.42.620 and chapter 18.51 RCW. WSR 24-07-008, § 388-97-15801, filed 3/7/24, effective 4/7/24.]