

**RCW 74.09.080 Methods of performing administrative responsibilities.** In carrying out the administrative responsibility of this chapter or other applicable law, the department or authority, as appropriate:

(1) May contract with an individual or a group, may utilize existing local state public assistance offices, or establish separate welfare medical care offices on a county or multicounty unit basis as found necessary; and

(2) Shall determine both financial and functional eligibility for persons applying for long-term care services under chapter 74.39 or 74.39A RCW as a unified process in a single long-term care organizational unit. [2018 c 201 § 7006; 2011 1st sp.s. c 15 § 8; 1979 c 141 § 338; 1959 c 26 § 74.09.080. Prior: 1955 c 273 § 9.]

**Findings—Intent—Effective date—2018 c 201:** See notes following RCW 41.05.018.

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