

**WAC 182-551-1305 Requirements for becoming a medicaid-approved hospice care center (HCC).** (1) To apply to become a medicaid-approved hospice care center, the medicaid agency requires a hospice agency to:

(a) Be enrolled with the medicaid agency as an approved hospice agency (see WAC 182-551-1300);

(b) Submit a letter of request to:

Hospice Program Manager  
P.O. Box 45506  
Olympia, WA 98504-5506; and

(c) Include documentation that confirms the approved hospice agency is medicare certified by department of health (DOH) as a hospice care center and provides one or more of the following levels of hospice care (levels of care are described in WAC 182-551-1500):

- (i) Routine home care;
- (ii) Inpatient respite care; and
- (iii) General inpatient care.

(2) A medicaid-approved hospice care center must at all times meet the requirements in chapter 182-551 WAC, subchapter I, Hospice services, and the requirements under the Title XVIII medicare program.

(3) A hospice agency qualifies as a medicaid-approved hospice care center when:

(a) All the requirements in this section are met; and

(b) The medicaid agency provides the hospice agency with written notification.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021, Section 2302 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-148), and Section 1814 (a)(7) of the Social Security Act. WSR 12-09-079, § 182-551-1305, filed 4/17/12, effective 5/18/12. WSR 11-14-075, recodified as § 182-551-1305, filed 6/30/11, effective 7/1/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 74.09.520. WSR 05-18-033, § 388-551-1305, filed 8/30/05, effective 10/1/05.]