

**WAC 246-341-1102 Withdrawal management services—Youth.** Youth withdrawal management services are substance use disorder services provided to an individual seventeen years of age or younger. In addition to meeting the behavioral health agency licensure, certification, administration, personnel, and clinical requirements in WAC 246-341-0300 through 246-341-0650 and the adult withdrawal management requirements in WAC 246-341-1100, an agency providing youth withdrawal management services must do all of the following:

(1) Admit youth only with the written permission of the youth's parent or, if applicable, the youth's legal guardian. If a youth meets the requirements of a child in need of services (CHINS), the youth may sign themselves into treatment.

(2) Assess the individual's need for referral to the department of children, youth, and families.

(3) Ensure the following for individuals who share a room:

(a) An individual fifteen years of age or younger must not room with an individual eighteen years of age or older; and

(b) An individual sixteen or seventeen years of age must be evaluated for clinical appropriateness before being placed in a room with an individual eighteen years of age or older.

(4) Allow communication between the youth and the youth's parent or if applicable, a legal guardian, and facilitate the communication when clinically appropriate.

(5) Notify the parent or legal guardian within two hours of any change in the status of the youth and document all notification and attempts of notification in the clinical record.

(6) Discharge the youth to the care of the parent or legal guardian. For emergency discharge and when the parent or legal guardian is not available, the agency must contact the appropriate authority.

(7) Ensure at least one adult staff member of each gender is present or available by phone at all times if coeducational treatment services are provided.

(8) Ensure a staff member who demonstrates knowledge of adolescent development and substance use disorders is available at the facility or available by phone.

[Statutory Authority: 2018 c 201 and 2018 c 291. WSR 19-09-062, § 246-341-1102, filed 4/16/19, effective 5/17/19.]