

WAC 182-547-0100 General. (1) The medicaid agency covers the hearing aids listed in this chapter, according to agency rules and subject to the limitations and requirements in this chapter. See also WAC 182-531-0375 audiology services.

(2) The agency pays for hearing aids when:

(a) Covered;

(b) Within the scope of an eligible client's medical care program;

(c) Medically necessary as defined under WAC 182-500-0070;

(d) Authorized, as required within this chapter, chapters 182-501 and 182-502 WAC, and the agency's published billing instructions and provider notices;

(e) Billed according to this chapter, chapters 182-501 and 182-502 WAC, and the agency's published billing instructions and provider notices;

(f) The client completes a hearing evaluation, including an audiogram or developmentally appropriate diagnostic physiologic test, that is administered by and the results interpreted by a hearing health care professional; and

(g) The licensed audiologist, hearing aid specialist, otolaryngologist, or otologist concludes that the client may benefit from a hearing aid.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160 and 2018 c 159. WSR 19-20-043, § 182-547-0100, filed 9/25/19, effective 11/1/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021. WSR 13-20-013, § 182-547-0100, filed 9/20/13, effective 10/21/13. WSR 11-14-075, recodified as § 182-547-0100, filed 6/30/11, effective 7/1/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090. WSR 11-11-015, § 388-547-0100, filed 5/9/11, effective 6/9/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090 and 74.09.530. WSR 09-12-034, § 388-547-0100, filed 5/27/09, effective 7/1/09.]