Chapter 182-60 WAC
PATIENT DECISION AIDS

WAC 182-60-005 Authority and purpose. Under RCW 7.70.060(4), the agency's medical director is authorized to independently assess and certify patient decision aids.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 7.70.060 and 2012 c 101. 12-24-052, § 182-60-005, filed 11/30/12, effective 1/1/13.]

WAC 182-60-010 Definitions. When used in this chapter:

(1) "Agency" means the Washington state health care authority (HCA), created pursuant to chapter 41.05 RCW.

(2) "Certification fee" means a fee assessed by the agency to an individual or organization applicant requesting an independent review of a patient decision aid not already certified by an organization located in the United States or Canada and recognized by the agency's medical director.

(3) "Certified patient decision aid" means a patient decision aid, as defined in this section, for any medical condition or procedure, including abortion as defined in RCW 9.02.170 that:

(a) Is certified by one or more national certifying organizations recognized by the agency's medical director; or

(b) Has been evaluated based on the International Patient Decision Aid Standards (IPDAS) by an organization located in the United States or Canada and has current scores satisfactory to the agency's medical director.

(c) Is independently assessed and certified by the agency's medical director based on the International Patient Decision Aid Standards developed by the IPDAS Collaboration if a current evaluation is not available from an organization located in the United States or Canada.

(4) "National certifying organization" means a group, entity, or organization in the United States or Canada that is recognized by the agency's medical director.

(5) "Patient decision aid" means a written, audio-visual, or online tool that provides a balanced presentation of the condition and treatment options, benefits, and harms including, if appropriate, a discussion of the limits of scientific knowledge about outcomes and a means to acknowledge that the tool has been fully reviewed and understood.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 7.70.060 and 2012 c 101. 12-24-052, § 182-60-010, filed 11/30/12, effective 1/1/13.]

WAC 182-60-020 National certifying organizations. The agency's medical director will:

(1) Maintain a list of recognized national certifying organizations so that individuals or organizations seeking certification may identify organizations recognized by the agency's medical director.

(2) Consider organizations recommended by applicants for inclusion in the list.

(3) Update the list as needed.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 7.70.060 and 2012 c 101. 12-24-052, § 182-60-020, filed 11/30/12, effective 1/1/13.]

WAC 182-60-025 Review process and certification.

(1) The agency's medical director considers the most current International Patient Decision Aid Standards (IPDAS) developed by the IPDAS Collaboration for evaluation of a patient decision aid.

(2) A patient decision aid may be certified if it is reviewed by a national certifying organization and has current scores satisfactory to the agency's medical director in each of the following categories: Content criteria, development process criteria, and effectiveness criteria.

(3) The applicant requesting review and certification must provide written documentation of the basis for certification as provided in subsection (1) of this section.

(4) The agency's medical director may contract for an assessment of the patient decision aid.

(a) The contract will:

(i) Be with an evidence-based organization or other appropriate entity; and

(ii) Provide an assessment to evaluate the patient decision aid based on the most current International Patient Decision Aid Standards developed by the IPDAS Collaboration using information provided by the applicant and the agency's medical director.

(b) The agency's medical director may use the results of the assessment in whole or part as the basis for a certification determination.

(5) The agency's medical director may establish minimum scores in each of the following criteria: Content criteria, development process criteria, and effectiveness criteria, based on IPDAS Collaboration criteria, necessary to qualify as a certified patient decision aid.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 7.70.060 and 2012 c 101. 12-24-052, § 182-60-025, filed 11/30/12, effective 1/1/13.]

WAC 182-60-030 Certification fees.

(1) The agency will charge a certification fee to the applicant to defray the costs of the assessment and certification under this chapter.

(a) Fees will be based on the cost of obtaining an assessment.

(b) One certification fee will apply to each review of a patient decision aid.

(2) Applicants requesting review and certification of a patient decision aid must pay a fee established by the agency.
to defray the cost of review by a contracted review organization or group.

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