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TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Elizabeth Belle, State Plans Coordinator

SUBJECT: CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT *(RCW 34.05.325)*

For rules proposed under notice filed as WSR 26-05-081 on February 18, 2026:

New:
110-50-0980 Third party liability claim denials.
110-50-0990 Third party liability claim appeals.
110-50-0995 Third party liability claim investigations and rights of recovery.
110-50-1095 Caregiver reimbursement program claim investigations.

Amended:
110-50-0900 Legal basis for the licensed caregiver third party liability program.
110-50-0910 Purpose.
110-50-0920 Definitions.
110-50-0930 Eligibility criteria for third party reimbursement.
110-50-0940 Submitting the third party liability claim.
110-50-0950 Determining the reimbursable amount for third party liability claims.
110-50-0960 Limitations for third party liability reimbursement.
110-50-0970 Exclusions from third party liability reimbursement.
110-50-1000 Legal basis for the caregiver reimbursement program.
110-50-1010 Purpose.
110-50-1020 Definitions.
110-50-1030 Eligibility criteria for the caregiver reimbursement program.
110-50-1040 Submitting the caregiver reimbursement program claim.
110-50-1050 Determining the reimbursement amount for caregiver reimbursement program claims.
110-50-1060 Reimbursement limitations for the caregiver reimbursement program.
110-50-1070 Exclusions from the caregiver reimbursement program.
110-50-1080 Caregiver reimbursement program claim denials.
110-50-1090 Caregiver reimbursement program claim appeals.

REASON FOR ADOPTION: The DCYF Financial Business Services Division is amending the above WAC sections to correct the address for submitting reimbursement forms, allow for reimbursement to unlicensed caregivers, and increase the reimbursement limit from $5,000 to $10,000.

SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES MADE SINCE THE RULE WAS PROPOSED: None.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED	THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERED ALL THE COMMENTS. THE ACTIONS TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO THE COMMENTS, OR THE REASONS NO ACTIONS WERE TAKEN, FOLLOW.
All sections A commenter expressed support for the proposed rule amendments extending reimbursement to unlicensed caregivers. They also emphasized the importance of a vetting process to prevent abuse of the expansion and promote accountability.	No action taken. Commentary with no suggested changes to the proposed rules.

cc: DCYF Rules Coordinator