

Date:01/13/17		<b>Time:</b> 9:30 to 11:30	<b>Location: Call</b> Conference call: 712.770.4010      Access: 177659 Online Meeting Link: <a href="https://join.freeconferencecall.com/melissa579">https://join.freeconferencecall.com/melissa579</a> Online Meeting ID: melissa579	
<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>PLAN OF ACTION</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>
9:30 a.m.	Call to order Minutes of last mtg Financials	Roll call and review agenda for the day.  HCAW net equity, what it includes, how it accumulated and what is prudent for expenditure.	Review	Rob  Mike/Lorissa
9:45	Rural Health issues	Areas where there is limited or no access; Exploration of the issue and determining our role in collaborating on solutions and advocating for hh access in all counties.		Doris
10:00	Expenditures of reserves	What are we comfortable with spending and what are priorities for expenditures? What expenditures will give us the biggest ROI? What are we looking for? Advocacy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do we want to use funds to support fund-raising activities and PAC development?</li> <li>• Do we want to use HCAW funds for direct campaign contributions to specific candidates? If so, recommend consult with Attorney.</li> <li>• Do we want to use additional cash to increase trips to Washington or to support local efforts to connect congressmen/legislators with home health visits/information?</li> <li>• Do we want to advance a rural health initiative that promotes access to home health in rural communities? Contract with a consultant to coordinate this effort? Hire a grant writer to develop a new model for a rural home health pilot project? Provide membership to rural agencies at a reduced rate to encourage participation? Coordinate with State Office of Rural Health, WSHA rural health division, CAH hospitals and WCN. Also, possibly medical schools and nursing schools.</li> </ul>	Provide the Board with food for thought and establish a plan for in person meeting to strategize.	Rob, Leslie and Doris

		<p>Do we want to use funds to enhance image and promote HCAW? Rebranding? Web site design? Other?</p> <p>Do we want to use funds to support a large PAC fundraising event? What would that look like?</p>		
10:30	Nominating Committee	<p>Board leadership: Discussion of current board leadership progression occurring as result of Rob's change in position.</p> <p>Present roster as agreed on by Nom Com and discussion of strategies to build bench strength</p>	<p>Air this parking lot issue with the Board.</p> <p>Approval of roster</p>	Rob
10:45	Education	<p>HCAW conference schedule</p> <p>Leading Age Conference</p> <p>Aging Services Conference</p> <p>Rural Healthcare Conference</p>		Doris/Brian
11:00	Legislative	Prep for Hill Day		Leslie
11:30	<b>Adjourn</b>	<b>Next meeting</b>		Rob

The By-laws specify that HCAW will have 4 officers (pres-elect, pres, Immed past pres and sec/treas) and 7-10 Board members. Board members have 2 year terms and can have a maximum of two consecutive terms. The Nominating Committee convened and is recommending the following roster for 2017-18

**Officers:**

Rob Krause, President will be entering second year as President

Marilou Church, Pres Elect

Larissa Jording, Sec. Treas

Vacant: Immediate past president

**Board members:**

**Continuing Board members:**

Kim Malen

Donna Goodwin

Sam Miller

Greg Pang

Carolyn Bonner

Gretchen Anderson

Brent Korte

Kyle Long

Rachel Manchester

**Retiring from the Board leaving vacancy**

Linda Raymer

**Nominee for Open Board position:**

Amber Hahn Keenan, VM Memorial in Yakima, Wa.

**Nominating Committee for 2017:**

Donna Goodwin

Linda Raymer

Kyle Long

Randy Dalton

**Other discussion:** Building “bench strength and diversified participation.”



**2017 HCAW Annual Conference**  
DoubleTree by Hilton Seattle Airport  
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**April 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Please join us for the Home Care Association of Washington Annual Conference. Learn how to “Unleash Superhero Powers” in your agency and maneuver through the changing reimbursement, regulatory and competitive environment. You will obtain information on the realities as well as innovative opportunities, strategies and partnerships for success.

**April 25 Pre-conference agenda preview:**

- **Home Health Value Based Purchasing Phase II**.....NAHC collaborative presentation on the first year of HHVBP data analysis combined with clinical and financial best practices.
- **Hospital at Home**.....Per Danielsson, Executive Medical Director and Director of Care Transformation at Swedish Medical Center, authored a proposal for the new high touch high tech program to take care of hospital-level patients at home. Learn about this program that is slated to roll out in early 2017.
- **Provider alignment to Achieve Improved Outcomes**.....Joan Valentine, RN, MSA, VP of Quality and Clinical Integration at US Medical Management, will discuss the importance of aligning all the providers in the patient’s continuum of care to improve outcomes. Joan has significant experience in working with CMMI (Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation) as well as both a Pioneer ACO, a Shared Savings program and a member of the CMMI post acute care continuum task force.
- **The Art of the Possible**..... Kevin Childs, Group Practice Leader, One Source-After Hours Triage and UbeRNurse: Kevin will provide insights into opportunities to elevate satisfaction levels of patients, caregivers and employees as well as ways to mitigate costs associated with regulatory change and maximize reimbursement.

## April 26 Conference agenda preview:

- **Keynote Matt Jones:** will inspire and energize you using his personal story of overcoming cancer three times, relearning how to walk, and running a marathon to provide real life success strategies. You will walk away energized and with practical action steps you can apply immediately. Matt is known for delivering inspirational presentations in an energetic style that moves audiences to achieve greater success personally and professionally. *Attendees will receive a complimentary copy of Matt's paperback book.*
- **Regulatory update** by Lauri Domingo to include a report on the first phase of the Probe & Educate: the kind of denials encountered, how to avoid them and what to expect in Round 2 of P&E; current regulations for home health certification and recertification; the CMS reg of incorporating home health agency documentation into the physician's medical record to support eligibility; Pre-Claim Review Demonstration and how it could affect Washington state providers in the future.
- **Access to Rural Home Healthcare Services: Views from the field.** Susan Skillman, Deputy Director Workforce Studies, Associate Director WWAMI Area Health Education Center, Investigator WWAMI Rural Health Research Center will give an overview of the study that was published on home healthcare access in February 2016. How can we use this information in moving forward and what additional research is needed?
- **Palliative Care: Filling the Gaps.** Amber Hahn-Keenan, Sr. Manager of Finance and Operations, VM Memorial Compass Care, will share how palliative care is tying it all together and supporting the growth of their home health and hospice programs and meeting the needs of the community. She will describe the path to getting where they are and what is next as they continue to explore innovative ideas and programs.
- **Key Drivers and Best Practices for Improving CAHPS scores:** Lisa Swenson, MHA, LNHA, Director of Home Health and Hospice, Pathway Health, will help participants understand the key components to CAHPS scoring, best practices common to highest performance and major drivers of patient satisfaction as measured by the CAHPS survey tools.
- **Lessons in Caring/Peru:** Donna Vincent, RN, BSN, MA Manager of Home Health and Hospice Access Services, Providence, will provide lessons that can be applied to home health/hospice care as well as personal daily life. These lessons were extrapolated from a deep experience gained in Peru's sacred understanding of humanity and reflect a respect of cultural expressions of others.
- **Successful Bundling:** Eula Ramroop, MSHA, Regional Associate Vice President of Orthopedic, Spine and Podiatry service line for CHI Franciscan, will describe Orthopedic Value Based bundles, the impact on home health, strategies for operating successfully in a bundle, alignment across settings and evidence that the home is the preferred setting for best clinical outcomes.
- **Face to Face.....** Jennifer Warfield, BSN, COS-C, HCS-D, Education Director, PPS Plus will discuss importance of accurate and complete Face to Face documentation. This became very evident

in Round One of the Probe and Educate audits. With Round 2 soon to be underway, and with Face to Face being an important aspect of Pre Claim Review, this presentation is important and timely.

- **Best Business Strategy for today: Kindness....**Donna Cameron will be speaking on the importance of developing and nurturing a culture of kindness in the workplace. Studies have shown a 20% increase in performance and that employees are 87% less likely to leave with the kindness culture!
- **Networking Opportunities:** There will be Informal networking and organized sharing groups focused on Rural Home Health, Performance Improvement and HCAW Board 101.
- **Exhibitor Fair:** Learn about products and services that will enhance your business operations and support care delivery. The exhibitor fair will feature an Open Mic session for exhibitors to share new features of their products and services.
- **Silent Auction:** Support the PAC by donating to the silent auction and/or purchasing some of the items up for bid!

## April 27 Conference Agenda

- **Key Note Address:** Bill Dombi, Vice President of The Center for Health Care Law, a nonprofit, public interest law firm, established by NAHC in January 1987. Bill will give an update on federal regulatory, legislative and legal issues with projections as to what is ahead!
- **Annual Meeting:** all current and prospective members are encouraged to attend!! Get to know your Board members!
- **Update on state legislative activity and HCAW advocacy efforts....**Greg Pang and Leslie Emerick
- **In-Home Services Revised Rules Review.....** John Hilger, Department of Health

## Annual Awards Luncheon celebrating our Home Health awardees for 2017!

April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017      12:30-2:30pm If you haven't already done so, [Nominate a Hero Today!](#)

**For Hotel information & reservations use this link:** <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/HCA17>

**For Conference Online Registration** [Click Here](#)

[See attached for pricing information](#)

<b>Member Registration</b>	<b>Early Bird Rate Until 3/24/16</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>	<b>Standard Rate 3/24-4/20/16</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>	<b>Onsite Rate (4/20-4/25)</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>
Pre-conference & Conference April 25-27	575.00	525.00	625.00	575.00	750.00	700.00
Pre-conference – ½ day April 25	175.00	125.00	225.00	175.00	250.00	200.00
Pre-Conference April 25	250.00	225.00	275.00	250.00	300.00	275.00
Conference April 26 & 27	475.00	425.00	525.00	475.00	550.00	525.00
Individual Day April 26 or 27	250.00	225.00	275.00	250.00	300.00	275.00
Awards Luncheon April 27	50.00	45.00	60.00	55.00	75.00	70.00

<b>Non-Member Registration</b>	<b>Early Bird Rate Until 3/24/16</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>	<b>Standard Rate 3/24-4/20/16</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>	<b>Onsite Rate (4/20-4/25)</b>	<b>Addt'l Agency Attendee</b>
Pre-conference & Conference April 25-27	625.00	575.00	675.00	625.00	800.00	750.00
Pre-conference – ½ day April 25	225.00	200.00	275.00	250.00	300.00	275.00
Pre-Conference April 25	300.00	275.00	325.00	300.00	350.00	325.00
Conference April 26 & 27	550.00	500.00	600.00	550.00	625.00	600.00
Individual Day April 26 or 27	300.00	275.00	325.00	300.00	350.00	325.00
Awards Luncheon April 27	50.00	45.00	60.00	55.00	75.00	70.00



## There are still opportunities for Sponsorship or Exhibiting

Click here for information on Sponsorship and Exhibitor Opportunities:  
[2017 Exhibitor and sponsor packet.docx](#)

To Register to Exhibit:  
Send completed form to [info@hcaw.org](mailto:info@hcaw.org)  
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### **Exhibitors:**

Visiting Physicians Association

KanTime

Shield HealthCare

### **Sponsors:**

McKesson

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**Now is the time!**  
**Take advantage of this once a year opportunity**  
**Network and create lasting and profitable relationships**



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***"A superhero is a person who does heroic deeds and has the ability to do them in a way that a normal person couldn't. So in order to be a superhero, you need a power that is more exceptional than any power a normal human being could possess, and you need to use that power to accomplish good deeds."***

*Stan Lee,  
Creator of Spiderman, Hulk, the Fantastic Four*

Home healthcare workers in Washington State have been performing heroic deeds for decades. Isn't it time you put your products and services in their hands so they can continue to perform those deeds in a manner no other normal home healthcare worker can?

Join us as an Exhibitor and/or Sponsor at the Home Care Association of Washington Annual Conference. This is your opportunity to put your tools and services in front of the highest concentration of Home Health "Super Hero" professionals in the state all year. An integral part of our programming the Exhibit Hall is the center for all breaks and lunch the first day of the conference – even Super Heroes need to eat - insuring your opportunity to engage the Heroes one on one.

Additionally, all exhibitors and sponsors are welcome to our Registration Reception the evening before our conference begins which gives everyone a chance to get acquainted (or re-acquainted) with our Super Heroes. The Pre-conference that afternoon is another added opportunity to showcase your company's tools for the Super Hero workforce.

During the conference **Sponsors** have opportunities to interact with our Super Hero (HCAW) members directly by introducing program speakers or addressing the assembled Heroes prior to sessions beginning. Of course there will also be structured time for one on one conversations during the conference for you to demonstrate the special powers your products can bring to their efforts.

The HCAW Annual Conference has been delivering exceptional education, unique learning, and quality networking opportunities for several decades – and we plan to continue to raise the bar by putting you in position to help our Super Heroes accomplish even more heroic deeds. Your ideas and solutions may be the key to unlocking the Super Powers in one of our Heroes.

**HCAW includes Home Health, Hospice and Home Care members from across Washington State. If you have questions or would like to secure your sponsorship or exhibitor position please contact an HCAW member or Melissa Woster at the HCAW office by calling 425.775.8120 or [melissa@hcaw.org](mailto:melissa@hcaw.org).**



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## 2017 Sponsorship and Exhibitor Opportunities

➤ <b>Conference Presenting</b> Sponsor	\$5000
➤ <b>Pre-Conference Day</b> Sponsor	\$2500
➤ <b>Awards Presentation</b> lunch/dinner Sponsor	\$2000
➤ <b>Conference Day 1</b> Sponsor	\$2500
➤ <b>Conference Day 2</b> Sponsor	\$1750
➤ <b>Keynote Address</b> Sponsor	
○ Day one keynote – Matt D Jones	\$2500
○ Day two keynote – TBA	\$2500
➤ <b>Session</b> Sponsor – Sponsor introduces speaker	
○ 1 sponsor per session	\$ 400
○ Including exhibit booth	\$ 850
➤ <b>Registration Reception/</b> Sponsor	\$1500
➤ Morning & Afternoon <b>Break</b> Sponsor (Day 1)	\$ 795
➤ Morning & Afternoon <b>Break</b> Sponsor (Day 2)	\$ 795
➤ <b>Presentation Thumbdrive</b>	\$ 500
○ Provide 125 drives with your company logo	
➤ <b>Wifi</b> Sponsor	\$1250
➤ <b>A/V</b> Sponsor	\$2000
➤ <b>Printing</b> Sponsor	\$1500
➤ <b>Showcase Exhibitor</b>	\$ 795
➤ <b>Registration Bag/Packet</b>	\$ 250
○ Plus provide 125 bags with your company imprint	
➤ <b>Registration Packet Insert</b>	\$ 125
➤ <b>HCAW Affiliate Sponsor</b>	
(inc: Annual HCAW membership Conference Exhibit, HCAW Workshops Exhibit, digital advertising through the year)	\$2500

**Each sponsor may expect:**

- Signage at Event
- Logo on all printed and digital collateral, including conference program
- Link to sponsor's website from Conference webpage
- Logo included in HCAW newsletter (*with link to sponsor's website*)
- Table in exhibitor showcase area\* (*except Session, Break and Reception Sponsors*)
- Interaction with all HCAW members attending
- Recognition of sponsors prior to Keynote address and Awards Presentation

**Specific Sponsorship deliverables:**

- **Presenting Sponsor**
  - Opportunity to address the attendees at Keynote Address and the Awards Presentation
  - Opportunity to provide attendees a conference registration gift and information
  - Presenting Sponsor may assist in presentation of awards during the Awards program
  - HCAW Affiliate Sponsorship designation and benefits for the year
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
- **Keynote Address Sponsor**
  - Opportunity to address the attendees prior to the Keynote Address
  - Signage designating Keynote Sponsorship during the Keynote Address
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
- **Pre-Conference Day Sponsor**
  - Opportunity to address the attendees at the opening of the Pre-Conference
  - Opportunity to provide attendees of the Pre-Conference with a conference gift and information in their registration packet
  - HCAW Affiliate Sponsor designation and benefits for one year
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
- **Day Sponsors**
  - Opportunity to address the attendees at the opening of the Pre-Conference
  - Opportunity to provide attendees of the Pre-Conference with a conference gift and information in their registration packet
  - HCAW Affiliate Sponsor designation and benefits for one year
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
- **Session Sponsors**
  - Two minute company infomercial then Introduce Session Speaker
  - Signage designating Session Sponsor during the session
  - Exhibit table in Session Room
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions for sponsors of multiple sessions

- **Awards Presentation Sponsor**
  - Opportunity to address the attendees prior to the Awards program
  - Signage designating Awards Presentation Sponsorship during the Awards program
  - Opportunity for representative to assist in presenting the awards during the Awards program
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
  
- **Break Sponsors**
  - Recognized as Break Sponsor from the podium when Breaks are announced
  - Signage designating Break Sponsor in the break area during breaks
  - Exhibit table in Break area
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
  
- **Reception/Silent Auction Sponsor**
  - Recognized as the Reception/Silent Auction sponsor from the podium when Reception is announced
  - Signage designating Reception Sponsor during the reception in the reception area
  - Exhibit table in Reception room
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
  
- **Exhibitor**
  - All Conference Breaks in the Showcase area
  - Gift Drawing during breaks Exhibitors may provide drawing prize
  - Attendees will have a (passport/program) to be stamped by each Exhibitor to be eligible for grand prize drawing
  - Attendance at all conference general sessions
  - Opportunity to attend Registration Reception

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9:30 a.m.	Call to order  Minutes of last mtg.  Financials	<p>Roll call and review agenda for the day.          Rob, Doris, Melissa, John, Donna, Gretchen, Leslie,          Mike McM, Greg, Larissa, Carolyn, Sam, Kim, Brent,          Kyle, Marilou, Linda</p> <p>Motion to approve minutes by Rachel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gretchen          Motion carried</p> <p>November financials and December financials need          approvals.          Appear to be close to budget for both months. A bit          ahead of budget and last year. Memberships are up          from what we had anticipated, therefore revenues are          ahead.          Deferred dues on balance sheet a bit lagging from          where they generally are. Renewals lagging from          previous years. One agency (Kline Galland) not          renewing at this time due to financial situation. Some          have indicated they would process right after the first of          the year. Time for calls to those who are not yet          renewed. Board members encouraged to be sure their          agencies are renewing.          Request made that Board members be notified if they          are renewed or not – possibly forward the entire list to          the board of who is and isn't renewed.          Overall well above our year to date, only concern is the          renewing dues. All else in good shape.          Motion to approve: by Marilou, Greg 2<sup>nd</sup>          Motion carried</p> <p>Question about whether renewal notices included a          request to contribute a portion of dues to the PAC. John</p>	Review and Approve	Rob  Mike/Larissa

		reported that it is acceptable for the organization to use its reserves to donate to its PAC.		
9:45	Board Scorecard	<p>What do Board members expect of themselves and each other?</p> <p>Discussion on how to distinguish the Board Scorecard and the Action Plan for the organization.</p> <p>Scorecard is a roadmap to be an engaged member of the board.</p> <p>Action Plan is intended to be what is what the organization activity should focus based on the planning done by the Board.</p> <p>Proposal: be cognizant of who the members of the organization are and how they are referred to in the documents. (i.e., rather than referring to Home Healthcare refer to In Home care or Health care at home.</p> <p>Concern raised that some items on Scorecard don't apply to all board members.(i.e., Webinars are almost all focused on Medicare issues and non-medicare agencies would never send employees to a webinar quarterly)</p> <p>Proposal: need for more flexibility than the specific actions on the scorecard. Rather than quarterly have the measures be annual.</p> <p>Reminder to the board by Rob that the scorecard is still in draft and not intended to be mandatory but a way of each board member to hold themselves accountable to those activities that assure they are advancing HCAW both within their agency and their area.</p>	Review scorecard	Rob and John
10:00	Action Plan Education	<p>Are the actions in the plan those HCAW should be focused on and if not what should it be?</p> <p>Some areas need more discussion on what exactly the organization can do to focus the way it should. How does the Board want the initiatives to move forward?</p> <p>Review and refine action plan by pillars starting with Education</p> <p>Suicide Prevention training already occurred and collaborating with a group for one in Spokane about to take place will allow member pricing. Other opportunities will be coming due to need.</p>	Update and clarify some of the original action items and recent comments submitted by Board members.	Rob

		<p>Forums – comments by Linda submitted. Clarification around how HCAW might be able to provide information around interaction with other care providers like EMTs.</p> <p>Rural Healthcare Conference Doris reported this group is looking for a presentation from Home Health as it interacts with other care givers in the marketplace. A board group of members whose conference last year had 400 attending. Conference is May 10 at the Four Points Sheraton in Des Moines. Need to inform as many parallel groups of the role and value of Home Health. Are there other organizations to whom Home Health could provide a speaker to advance the role of Home Health.</p> <p>Collaboration with Leading Age Leading Age (assisted living and nonprofit nursing homes and continuing care adult facilities like Wesley Homes) conference deadline for proposals is January 15. Sam willing to submit something this weekend for their conference June 7 – 9 in Spokane. Rob also willing to assist here. Will suggest a topic focused on the broad approach to home health. Carolyn also willing to assist. Doris suggested this would also be relevant to the Transitions in Care conference. Sam offered to work with Linda on seeing what can be done here. Rob suggested a separate call to address presentations that could be made to other organizations' conferences. Carolyn, Gretchen, Linda, Doris and Sam to set time for conference call next week. Patient Satisfaction monitoring? Anything additional?</p>		
10:45		<p>HCAW conference schedule Proposal from Marilou to add a parallel track on Value Based purchasing. Doris suggested to use the morning for VBP making the pre-conference a full day. Could also add it to the last day after the lunch. Rather than tied closely to conference do it later in the year. If delay until the fall it will likely not matter what the new administration does. Rather look at the value we</p>		Doris/Brian

bring to agencies early in the year rather than waiting until the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> quarter  
Proposal to consider having VBP in March and use some of reserves to afford scholarship to agencies having trouble.  
Doris will check with NAHC to see what they are planning for the year.

Community Pillar:  
Community and Advocacy seem to be tied in terms of focus.  
Rural Health Organization providing \$2000 to allow for rural agencies to attend the conference.  
They have also asked us to attend their conference and provide a breakout session for their members. Doris reaching out to rural members with little success at this point.  
Doris provided a report on the State of Reform Conf at which Home Health was stated to be difficult to contact by a representative of WSHA. Doris contacted them after the conf to follow up on the problem and that the story was from one of the critical access hospitals. Response is to put together a meeting with WSHA representatives. Also a promise to provide contact at the hospital that related the story.  
Any board members interested in the rural health discussion they would be welcome to participate in the discussion.

Proposal: Let's use our reserves to increase rural participation. (i.e., use to fund Board member travel to rural agencies). HCAW has the resources and we can set a goal for # of rural agencies as new members and fund the effort.  
Proposal: talk with the membership about the highest need and fund the effort to meeting the need.  
Question: is there any specifics on collaborating with other organizations/combined conference?  
Hospice has a leadership change and waiting for things to settle so that is a work in progress. Email contact last week and awaiting response.  
Proposal: work with Andrea Manning from Alaska to see what initiatives would be valuable and worthwhile

11:00	Legislative	<p>as a way of advancing rural health efforts.          Proposal: Board to invite and fund rural providers in return for time to discuss with us what is it that your agency needs and how can HCAW assist. Offer platform to offer input and feedback.</p> <p>Advocacy:          Discussion on use of reserves to fund PAC          Motion: ask Leslie to submit plan to invest \$20,000 in PAC spending efforts. Inclusive of most important timing and that would give the most impact for the delivery by next Board meeting. Seconded by Sam          Motion carried.          Question about whether the \$268K in the Dec financials is in fact reserve or if it is necessary for the operations of the organization this year.          Keep in mind what the issues will be in the 2018 election as well as what is on the Federal agenda.          Question: Mike and Larissa look at our history to see what the trend has been relative to what is actually available to spend?          What is the most spent in a year of PAC spending?          \$5000 average year and only \$2500 in 2016. Given this need to talk with members about how they can participate?          Question: Any previous discussion about scholarship for members to participate in the March on Washington? No. Date for 2017 is in flux right now between March and May. Apparently May seems to be the focus. No conference tied to this year's March on Washington.          For next Board Agenda: Scholarships for March on Washington.          Caution: If May is the timing it will be immediately following the HCAW Conference and time away may be an issue for some.</p> <p>Prep for legislative session/Legislative agenda for 2017          State of Reform take-aways          Proposal: use some of the reserve funds to produce a brochure that would be helpful in both Olympia and Washington DC</p>		Leslie
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	<p>John to update brochure in the file and circulate to Board. If time allows have it professionally printed.</p> <p>Proposal: Embrace “Home Health” as the reference to HCAW.</p> <p>Reports submitted by Leslie and are posted on the site.</p> <p>Proposal: be able to provide color copies of reports to legislators as a way of improving our professional image as we talk with them</p> <p>Concern voice that Home Health isn’t being considered at all in the Medicaid Transformation Waivers. Focus of these funds is for innovation and Home Health needs to focus our comments on those things that are in fact innovative. For clients who need intensive care the current emphasis doesn’t address it.</p> <p>Health Connections is one of the programs that seems to fit within the Medicaid Transformation criteria.</p> <p>Proposal: Standardize the information Carolyn has that can be given to the ACHs around the state so that everyone is hearing the same message. It is certainly a model that could be adopted across the state.</p> <p>Proposal: Partner with the Hospital Assn on this standardized program and take advantage of their lobbying efforts. (they have seen Carolyn’s presentation and should be familiar.)</p> <p>In Home Hospice Services rules – Doris will be sending in comments today to the committee. Additional work needed on timing of initial visit after referral.</p> <p>Variations needed depending on the category of the patient.</p> <p>Also need clarity on the requirement for vaccinations.</p> <p>Also the requirement of insurance at \$200,000 is too low and should be between \$1 million and \$3 million.</p> <p>Question as to if there should be an amount or not?</p> <p>Suggested that it should be left to the agency as a risk management issue.</p> <p>Board members who have relationships with legislators please contact and set meetings for Leg Day on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Greg to follow up with Sen Rivers, Sen</p>		
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		Cleveland and Rep Harris.  Need to promote Hill Day to the Members. Leslie will have something early next week to distribute to members.		
11:30	<b>Adjourn</b>	<b>Next meeting</b> <b>February 10, 2017 9:30-11:30am</b>		Rob
		<b>GO HAWKS!!</b>		

**Weekly Legislative Update**  
**Prepared by Leslie Emerick**  
**HCAW**  
**February 9, 2017**

**Upcoming Events**

**Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/9 @ 3:30pm**

- HB 1116 - Public Hearing - Implementing family and medical leave insurance.

**Health Care & Wellness (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/10 @ 10:00am**

- HB 1721 - Public Hearing - Concerning obtaining required clinical experience for licensed practical nurses who complete a nontraditional registered nurse program.
- HB 1671 - Public Hearing - Concerning assistance with activities of daily living.

**State Government, Elections & Information Technology (House) - HHR E, JLOB - 2/10 @ 10:00am**

- HB 1240 - Public Hearing - Revising the responsibilities of the joint administrative rules review committee to increase legislative oversight of agency rule making.

**Health Care (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 2/13 @ 8:00am**

- SB 5593 - Public Hearing - Concerning postsurgical care.

**Human Services, Mental Health & Housing (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/13 @ 1:30pm**

- SB 5577 - Exec Session - Concerning the rights and obligations associated with incapacitated persons and other vulnerable adults.

**Health Care (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/14 @ 10:00am**

- SB 5574 - Public Hearing - Concerning the maintenance and disclosure of health care declarations.

**Judiciary (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/14 @ 10:00am**

- HB 1640 - Public Hearing - Allowing notaries and proof of identity for advance directives.

**Ways & Means (Senate) - SHR 4, JACB - 2/14 @ 3:30pm**

- SB 5599 - Public Hearing - Requiring unused state funds for the health care benefits of long-term care workers to be returned to the state.

**Judiciary (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/15 @ 8:00am**

- HB 1811 - Public Hearing - Concerning notice of material changes to the operations or governance structure of a health care provider or provider organization.

## Health Care & Wellness (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/15 @ 1:30pm

- HB 1636 - Public Hearing - Establishing a program to fund long-term services and supports.
- HB 1854 - Public Hearing - Concerning the transition of medicaid enrollees to skilled nursing facility care.

## Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/15 @ 3:30pm

- SHB 1300 - Public Hearing - Simplifying and enforcing employee status under employment laws to ensure fairness to employers and employees and address the underground economy.

## Health Care (Senate) - SHR 2, JACB - 2/16 @ 10:00am

- SB 5626 - Public Hearing - Prohibiting the use of step therapy in treatments for stage four advanced, metastatic cancer.
- SB 5406 - Public Hearing - Addressing the department of social and health services responses to reports of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect in certain long-term care settings.

## Judiciary (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/16 @ 1:00pm

- HB 1811 - Exec Session - Concerning notice of material changes to the operations or governance structure of a health care provider or provider organization.
- HB 1640 - Exec Session - Allowing notaries and proof of identity for advance directives.

## Appropriations (House) - HHR A, JLOB - 2/16 @ 3:30pm

- HB 1637 - Public Hearing - Concerning the reimbursement rate primary care providers receive to participate in medicaid.

## Detailed Bill Summary

### High Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
<b>Medication disposal system</b> Protecting the public's health by creating a system for safe and secure collection and disposal of unwanted medications.  <a href="#">HB 1047</a>  <i>Summary:</i> Establishes a drug take-back program for the safe and secure collection and disposal of unwanted medications. Exempts the following from public disclosure under the public records act: Proprietary information submitted to the department of health under this act. Creates the secure drug take-back program account.	H HC/Wellness	Peterson	Support
<b>Vulnerable persons/crimes</b> Concerning crimes against vulnerable persons.  <a href="#">SHB 1153</a> (SB 5099)  <i>Summary:</i> Creates the crimes of theft from a vulnerable adult in the first and second degree. Increases penalties, reduces barriers to prosecution, and expands the scope of protection for	H Approps	Goodman	Support

vulnerable persons. Encourages each county to develop a written protocol for handling criminal cases involving vulnerable adults.

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**Health care 3-part aim sol.**

H HC/Wellness

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Neutral

Creating a pilot project to test a three-part aim solution that improves health and health care in a manner that lowers overall health care costs in a normally distributed population.

[HB 1276](#)

*Summary:* Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Conduct a pilot project for enrollees in the uniform medical plan to test a three-part aim solution that improves health and health care in a manner that lowers overall health care costs in a normally distributed population; (2) Conduct a matched cohort study to determine the cost containment capabilities of the three-part aim solution; and (3) Contract, directly or through an insuring or plan administration entity, with a vendor that offers a three-part aim solution.

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**Employee status enforcement**

H Approps

Riccelli

Support

Simplifying and enforcing employee status under employment laws to ensure fairness to employers and employees and address the underground economy.

[SHB 1300](#)  
(SB 5527)

*Summary:* Establishes the employee fair classification act to simplify and enforce employee status under employment laws to ensure fairness to employers and employees and address the underground economy.

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**Health care auth. auditing**

H HC/Wellness

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Neutral

Concerning health care authority auditing practices.

[HB 1314](#)

*Summary:* Addresses auditing requirements of the state health care authority. Prohibits the disbursement of money from the medicaid fraud penalty account to the state health care authority.

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**Comm. assist. referral progs**

H HC/Wellness

Griffey

Neutral

Concerning reimbursement for services provided pursuant to community assistance referral and education services programs.

[HB 1358](#)

*Summary:* Requires the state health care authority to adopt standards for the reimbursement of health care services provided to eligible clients by fire departments pursuant to a community assistance referral and education services program. Requires the standards to allow payment for covered health care services provided to individuals whose medical needs do not require ambulance transport to an emergency department.

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**Hospital payment methodology**

H HC/Wellness

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Neutral

Allowing alternative payment methodologies for critical access hospitals participating in the Washington rural health access preservation pilot.

[HB 1520](#)

*Summary:* Requires payments for services, delivered by public health care service districts participating in the Washington rural health access preservation pilot to recipients eligible for certain medical assistance programs, to be based on an alternative, value-based payment methodology established by the state health care authority.

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**Advance directives**

H Judiciary

Graves

Neutral

Allowing notaries and proof of identity for advance directives.

[HB 1640](#)  
(SB 5478)

*Summary:* Requires a directive to withhold or withdraw from life-sustaining treatment in a terminal condition or permanent unconscious condition to be: (1) Signed by the declarer, who has provided

proof of identity; and (2) Acknowledged before a notary public or other individual authorized by law to take acknowledgments.

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<b>Hearing loss training</b>	S 2nd Reading	Bailey	Neutral
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Requiring long-term care workers to be trained to recognize hearing loss.

[SB 5177](#)

*Summary:* Requires entry-level training for long-term care workers to include the identification of hearing loss in a client and how to seek assistance if hearing loss is suspected.

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<b>Hearing loss education prog.</b>	S Health Care	Bailey	Concerns
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Requiring the department of health to develop a hearing loss education program for health care professionals.

[SB 5178](#)

*Summary:* Requires the department of health, in consultation with certain disciplining authorities, to establish an ongoing hearing loss educational program as an integral part of its health professions regulation. Prohibits funds from the health professions account from being used to fund the requirement above unless the disciplining authority authorizes expenditures from its proportions of the account.

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<b>Death with dignity decisions</b>	S Law & Justice	Miloscia	Oppose
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Concerning informed decision making for death with dignity decisions.

[SB 5433](#)

*Summary:* Revises the state death with dignity act to require an attending physician to inform the patient of feasible alternatives, including the treatment for the purpose of cure and the treatment for the purpose of extending the patient's life, to ensure that the patient is making an informed decision.

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<b>Telemedicine locations</b>	S Health Care	Becker	Neutral
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Expanding patient access to health services through telemedicine by further defining where a patient may receive the service.

[SB 5436](#)

*Summary:* Provides that an originating site for a telemedicine health care service includes any location determined by the individual receiving the service.

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<b>Medicaid reimbursement/PCPs</b>	S Health Care	Rivers	Neutral
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Concerning the reimbursement rate primary care providers receive to participate in medicaid.

[SB 5471](#)  
[\(HB 1637\)](#)

*Summary:* Requires a medicaid payment for primary care services furnished by a nurse practitioner, a physician with a primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, or pediatric medicine or provided by subspecialists within these primary specialties, on a fee-for-service basis as well as through managed health care systems, to be at a rate not less than one hundred percent of the payment rate that applies to those services and providers under medicare.

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<b>Employee status enforcement</b>	S Com/Labor/Spor	Frocket	Support
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[SB 5527](#)  
[\(SHB 1300\)](#)

Simplifying and enforcing employee status under employment laws to ensure fairness to employers and employees and address the underground economy.

*Summary:* Establishes the employee fair classification act to simplify and enforce employee status under employment laws to ensure fairness to employers and employees and address the underground economy.

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<a href="#"><b>SB 5637</b></a>	<b>Health insurance mandates</b> Addressing health insurance mandates in the individual and small group markets.	S Health Care	Becker	Concerns
	<i>Summary:</i> Exempts commercial health benefit plans, offered in the individual and small group markets, from all state-mandated benefits beyond those required by the federal government.			

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## Medium Priority Bills

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>	
<a href="#"><b>SHB 1043</b></a> <a href="#"><b>(SB 5124)</b></a>	<b>Personal health information</b> Addressing nonpublic personal health information.	H Rules R	Robinson	Support
	<i>Summary:</i> Prohibits the insurance commissioner from disclosing nonpublic personal health information except in the furtherance of regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the insurance commissioner's official duties. Exempts the following from disclosure under the public records act: Nonpublic personal health information obtained by, disclosed to, or in the custody of the insurance commissioner.			
<a href="#"><b>HB 1067</b></a> <a href="#"><b>(SB 5048)</b></a>	<b>Operating budget 2017-2019</b> Making 2017-2019 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017-2019 fiscal biennium operating appropriations.			
<a href="#"><b>HB 1068</b></a> <a href="#"><b>(SB 5047)</b></a>	<b>Operating sup budget 2017</b> Making 2017 supplemental operating appropriations.	H Approps	Ormsby	Neutral
	<i>Summary:</i> Makes 2017 supplemental operating appropriations.			
<a href="#"><b>HB 1116</b></a> <a href="#"><b>(SB 5032)</b></a>	<b>Family &amp; med leave insurance</b> Implementing family and medical leave insurance.	H Approps	Robinson	Neutral
	<i>Summary:</i> Allows workers to: (1) Care for family members with a serious health condition or to recover from their own serious health condition; and (2) Deal with exigencies arising out of the military service of a family member. Requires the employment security department to: (1) Establish and administer a family and medical leave insurance program; and (2) Pay family and medical leave insurance benefits. Changes the name of the family leave insurance account to the family and medical leave insurance account.			
<a href="#"><b>HB 1117</b></a> <a href="#"><b>(SB 5619)</b></a>	<b>Health care balance billing</b> Addressing health care services balance billing.	H HC/Wellness	Cody	Neutral
	<i>Summary:</i> Establishes the balance billing protection act to provide for the protection of consumers against balance billing for emergency and other health care services when: (1) Emergency health care services are provided to a covered person; or (2) Health care services are provided to a covered person at an in-network facility, but are provided by an out-of-network provider when no in-network provider is available to provide the health care services.			
<a href="#"><b>HB 1197</b></a>	<b>Caregiver respite services</b>	H HC/Wellness	Tarleton	Neutral

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Concerning respite services for caregivers of people with mental illness.

*Summary:* Requires the department of social and health services to establish up to three pilot projects to offer respite services to primary caregivers of people with severe mental illness. Expires June 30, 2020.

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**Social security/medical recs**

H Rules R

Sullivan

Neutral

Concerning requests for medical records to support an application for social security benefits.

*Summary:* Requires a health care facility or a health care provider to, upon request of a patient or a patient's personal representative, provide the patient or representative with one copy of the patient's health care information free of charge if the patient is appealing the denial of federal supplemental security income or social security disability benefits. Requires issuers and third-party payors, upon request of a covered person or a covered person's personal representative, to provide the covered person or representative with one copy of the covered person's health care information free of charge if the covered person is appealing the denial of federal supplemental security income or social security disability benefits.

[SHB 1239](#)

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**DSHS/long-term care settings**

H HC/Wellness

Cody

Neutral

Addressing the department of social and health services responses to reports of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect in certain long-term care settings.

*Summary:* Requires the department of social and health services, in the case of a report of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect in an adult family home or assisted living facility, to designate the unit responsible for conducting inspections as the entity to initiate the first response to a report on behalf of the department.

[HB 1354](#)  
(SB 5406)

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**Behavioral health authority**

H HC/Wellness

Cody

Neutral

Changing the designation of the state behavioral health authority from the department of social and health services to the health care authority and transferring the related powers, functions, and duties to the health care authority and the department of health.

*Summary:* Transfers the powers, duties, and functions of the department of social and health services pertaining to the behavioral health system and purchasing function of the behavioral health administration, except for oversight and management of state-run mental health institutions and licensing and certification activities, to the state health care authority to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. Transfers the powers, duties, and functions of the department of social and health services pertaining to licensing and certification of behavioral health provider agencies and facilities, except for state-run mental health institutions, to the department of health to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

[HB 1388](#)  
(SB 5259)

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**Rx monitoring program data**

H HC/Wellness

Robinson

Neutral

Concerning persons and entities to whom the department of health may provide prescription monitoring program data.

*Summary:* Authorizes the department of health to provide data in the prescription monitoring program to the following: (1) Personnel of the department for assessing prescribing practices, including controlled substances-related mortality and morbidity, and providing quality improvement feedback to providers; (2) The local health officer of a local health jurisdiction for patient follow-up and care coordination following a controlled substance overdose event; and (3) The coordinated care electronic tracking program. Requires the department of health to: (1) Provide certain facilities, entities, and provider groups with certain prescriber information; (2) In consultation with the state hospital association, the state medical association, and the state health care authority, to determine what prescriber information will be provided; and (3) Provide

[HB 1426](#)

dispenser or prescriber data and data that includes indirect patient identifiers to the state hospital association for use solely in connection with its coordinated quality improvement program.

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<a href="#"><u>HB 1521</u></a> (SSB 5296)	<b>Six months/vacation leave</b> Removing the requirement that an employee must work at least six months before taking vacation leave. <i>Summary:</i> Revises state government employee provisions to remove the requirement that an employee must work at least six months before taking vacation leave.	H State Governme	Dolan	Neutral
<a href="#"><u>HB 1522</u></a>	<b>Community health workers TF</b> Concerning the community health worker task force. <i>Summary:</i> Requires the department of health, in coordination with the state health care authority, to prepare a report describing the progress to date on detailing each agency's work plan for implementing the recommendations of the community health worker task force and supporting the development of a sustainable community health worker workforce in the state.	H HC/Wellness	Robinson	Neutral
<a href="#"><u>HB 1523</u></a> (SB 5602)	<b>Preventive service coverage</b> Requiring health plans to cover, with no cost sharing, all preventive services required to be covered under federal law as of December 31, 2016. <i>Summary:</i> Requires a health plan to provide coverage for the same preventive services required to be covered under: (1) 42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-13 (2016); and (2) Federal rules or guidance in effect on December 31, 2016, implementing 42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-13.	H HC/Wellness	Robinson	Neutral
<a href="#"><u>HB 1571</u></a>	<b>Veterans/care &amp; support srv.</b> Creating a community care and supportive services program for veterans. <i>Summary:</i> Requires the department of veterans affairs to select one county veterans' assistance program or community partner to pilot a community care and supportive services program that assists veterans and their families in rural or remote areas that do not have adequate access to federal veterans' benefits, reintegration services, and other public services. Expires July 1, 2020. Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.	H CDHTDP	Reeves	Neutral
<a href="#"><u>HB 1610</u></a>	<b>Employment definition</b> Defining employment for purposes of the state unemployment tax. <i>Summary:</i> Exempts the following from the definition of "employment" for purposes of unemployment compensation statutes: Services performed by individuals age fourteen to twenty-two years, which applies only to the determination of whether state unemployment tax premiums are owed.	H Labor & Workpla	Manweller	Neutral
<a href="#"><u>HB 1636</u></a>	<b>Long-term services &amp; support</b> Establishing a program to fund long-term services and supports. <i>Summary:</i> Creates the long-term services and supports trust commission and requires the commission to establish rules and policies regarding long-term services and supports. Creates the long-term services and supports trust program to provide benefits to qualified enrollees. Specifies duties of the employment security department regarding long-term services and supports. Requires the department of social and health services to establish a registry for health care providers who meet the minimum qualifications necessary to conduct eligibility assessments. Requires employers	H HC/Wellness	Jinkins	Neutral

to deduct from an employee's salary the equivalent of 0.49 percent of the employee's total compensation which will be submitted to the employment security department. Creates the long-term services and supports trust account.

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**Medicaid reimbursement/PCPs**

H Approps

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Neutral

Concerning the reimbursement rate primary care providers receive to participate in medicaid.

[HB 1637](#)  
(SB 5471)

*Summary:* Requires a medicaid payment for primary care services furnished by a nurse practitioner, a physician with a primary specialty designation of family medicine, general internal medicine, or pediatric medicine or provided by subspecialists within these primary specialties, on a fee-for-service basis as well as through managed health care systems, to be at a rate not less than one hundred percent of the payment rate that applies to those services and providers under medicare.

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**Daily living assistance**

H HC/Wellness

Cody

Neutral

Concerning assistance with activities of daily living.

[HB 1671](#)  
(SB 5510)

*Summary:* Expands the definition of "activities of daily living," for purposes of assisted living facilities requirements, to include self-care activities related to personal care.

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**LPN clinical experience**

H HC/Wellness

Cody

Neutral

Concerning obtaining required clinical experience for licensed practical nurses who complete a nontraditional registered nurse program.

[HB 1721](#)  
(SB 5516)

*Summary:* Repeals RCW 18.79.380 regarding the completion of the nontraditional registered nurse program by a licensed practical nurse and the requirement to obtain clinical experience.

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**Health provider changes**

H Judiciary

Jenkins

Neutral

Concerning notice of material changes to the operations or governance structure of a health care provider or provider organization.

[HB 1811](#)

*Summary:* Requires each party to a transaction that results in a material change to the operations or governance structure of a provider or provider organization to submit written notice to the attorney general of the material change. Requires a provider or provider organization that conducts business in this state, and files a premerger notification with the federal trade commission or the United States department of justice, to provide written notification to the attorney general of the filing and, upon request of the attorney general, provide a copy of the merger, acquisition, or other information.

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**Individual provider overtime**

H HC/Wellness

Riccelli

Neutral

Concerning overtime compensation for individual providers of home care services.

[HB 1836](#)

*Summary:* Increases the number of hours that the department of social and health services may pay to a single individual provider. Exempts an individual provider, caring for his or her adult disabled child, from the hours per workweek limits.

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**Skilled nursing transition**

H HC/Wellness

Cody

Neutral

Concerning the transition of medicaid enrollees to skilled nursing facility care.

[HB 1854](#)

*Summary:* Requires the state health care authority to: (1) Actively monitor and enforce contractors' responsibility to coordinate the timely and appropriate transition of enrollees to skilled nursing facility care when it is determined to be more appropriate than acute hospital care; and (2) Conduct a survey of skilled nursing facilities to identify barriers in the facilities accepting and admitting enrollees from acute care hospitals in a timely and appropriate manner.

<a href="#"><u>HB 2042</u></a>	<b>Governor emergency powers</b>	H State Govt, Ele	Walsh	Neutral
	Restoring certain gubernatorial powers to waive statutory obligations or limitations in order to preserve and maintain life, health, property, or the public peace during a state of emergency.			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<a href="#"><u>HB 2065</u></a>	<b>Minimum wage regionalization</b>	H Labor & Workpla	Condotta	Neutral
	Requiring the regionalization of the minimum wage.			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5032</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HB 1116)</u></a>	<b>Family &amp; med leave insurance</b>	S Com/Labor/Spor	Keiser	Neutral
	Implementing family and medical leave insurance.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Allows workers to: (1) Care for family members with a serious health condition or to recover from their own serious health condition; and (2) Deal with exigencies arising out of the military service of a family member. Requires the employment security department to: (1) Establish and administer a family and medical leave insurance program; and (2) Pay family and medical leave insurance benefits. Changes the name of the family leave insurance account to the family and medical leave insurance account.			
<a href="#"><u>SSB 5035</u></a>	<b>Investigational med. product</b>	S 2nd Reading	Pedersen	Neutral
	Concerning patients' access to investigational medical products.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Authorizes an eligible patient and his or her treating physician to request that a manufacturer make an investigational product available for treatment of the patient.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5124</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SHB 1043)</u></a>	<b>Personal health information</b>	S Health Care	Rivers	Neutral
	Addressing nonpublic personal health information.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Prohibits the insurance commissioner from disclosing nonpublic personal health information except in the furtherance of regulatory or legal action brought as a part of the insurance commissioner's official duties.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5149</u></a>	<b>Paid family leave</b>	S Com/Labor/Spor	Fain	Neutral
	Addressing paid family leave.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Provides family leave benefits to certain employees and those employees continue to be eligible for the benefits during employment with a covered employer. Requires the employment security department to administer family leave provisions.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5152</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HB 1491)</u></a>	<b>Pediatric transitional care</b>	S Health Care	Fain	Neutral
	Concerning pediatric transitional care centers.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Creates a pediatric transitional care center license and requires a center, in order to be licensed, to demonstrate that it is capable of providing services for children who: (1) Are no more than two years of age; (2) Have been exposed to alcohol or other drugs before birth; (3) Require twenty-four hour continuous residential care and skilled nursing services as a result of prenatal substance exposure; and (4) Are referred to the center by the department of social and health services and regional hospitals.			

<a href="#"><u>SB 5163</u></a>	<b>Federal ACA changes/budget</b>	S Ways & Means	Keiser	Neutral
	Addressing unknown changes to the federal affordable care act and the four-year balanced budget requirement.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Provides an exemption from the four-year outlook requirements for the medicaid budget until the time that detailed budgetary and programmatic impacts are made in federal law.			
<a href="#"><u>SSB 5180</u></a>	<b>Advisory committee on aging</b>	S Rules 2	Bailey	Support
	Establishing the legislative advisory committee on aging.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Creates the legislative advisory committee on aging to review issues of importance to the state's aging community which may include housing, long-term care, health and wellness, transportation, and finances.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5191</u></a> (HB 1278)	<b>Physical therapy compact</b>	S Health Care	Froct	Neutral
	Enacting the physical therapy licensure compact.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Enacts the physical therapy licensure compact to facilitate interstate practice of physical therapy with the goal of improving public access to physical therapy services.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5221</u></a> (HB 1337)	<b>Medical licensure compact</b>	S Health Care	Fain	Neutral
	Creating the interstate medical licensure compact.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Creates the interstate medical licensure compact.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5295</u></a> (SHB 1434)	<b>Shared leave/pregnancy</b>	S State Governme	Braun	Neutral
	Adding the use of shared leave for employees who are sick or temporarily disabled because of pregnancy disability or for the purposes of parental leave to bond with the employee's newborn, adoptive, or foster child.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Allows an agency head to permit an employee to receive leave, under the state leave sharing program, if the employee: (1) Needs the time for parental leave; or (2) Is sick or temporarily disabled because of pregnancy disability.			
<a href="#"><u>SSB 5296</u></a> (HB 1521)	<b>Six months/vacation leave</b>	S SGOVDPS	Braun	Neutral
	Removing the requirement that an employee must work at least six months before taking vacation leave.			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5349</u></a>	<b>Elder justice centers</b>	S Health Care	Cleveland	Neutral
	Concerning elder justice centers.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Requires the department of social and health services to coordinate the implementation of an elder justice demonstration program which must include establishing an elder justice center in Spokane county and expanding the elder justice center located in Clark county.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 5355</u></a>	<b>Telemedicine/injured workers</b>	S Health Care	Conway	Neutral
	Expanding the use of telemedicine to improve access to care for injured workers.			

*Summary:* Requires the director of the department of labor and industries to: (1) Develop access to telemedicine and reimburse providers for services in a manner that is similar to the policies developed for commercial health insurance plans and medicaid managed care plans; and (2) Reimburse a provider for a health care service provided to a covered person through telemedicine or store and forward technology for a health care service that is medically necessary.

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**Medicaid waivers**

S Health Care

Becker

Neutral

Limiting the authority to seek medicaid waivers.

[SB 5368](#)

*Summary:* Prohibits the state health care authority from pursuing federal waivers that obligate the state to future spending, create entitlements, or expand the scope of government without legislative authorization.

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**Background checks**

S Rules 2

O'Ban

Neutral

Concerning the use of background checks for persons who work with children, persons with developmental disabilities, and vulnerable adults.

[SB 5399](#)

*Summary:* Authorizes cities, towns, code cities, counties, and metropolitan park districts to require a federal background investigation, a state criminal background investigation, and a criminal background investigation conducted through a private organization of their employees, applicants for employment, volunteers, vendors, and independent contractors who, in the course of their work or volunteer activity, may have unsupervised access to children, persons with developmental disabilities, or vulnerable adults.

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**DSHS/long-term care settings**

S Health Care

Becker

Neutral

Addressing the department of social and health services responses to reports of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect in certain long-term care settings.

[SB 5406](#)  
(HB 1354)

*Summary:* Requires the department of social and health services, in the case of a report of abandonment, abuse, financial exploitation, or neglect in an adult family home or assisted living facility, to designate the unit responsible for conducting inspections as the entity to initiate the first response to a report on behalf of the department.

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**Telemedicine payment parity**

S Health Care

Becker

Neutral

Expanding patient access to health services through telemedicine and store and forward technology by requiring parity in payment for services.

[SB 5457](#)

*Summary:* Requires parity in payment for services to expand patient access to health services through telemedicine and store and forward technology.

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**LPN clinical experience**

S Health Care

Rivers

Neutral

Concerning obtaining required clinical experience for licensed practical nurses who complete a nontraditional registered nurse program.

[SB 5516](#)  
(HB 1721)

*Summary:* Repeals RCW 18.79.380 regarding the completion of the nontraditional registered nurse program by a licensed practical nurse and the requirement to obtain clinical experience.

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**Health care declarations**

S Health Care

Keiser

Neutral

Concerning the maintenance and disclosure of health care declarations.

[SB 5574](#)

*Summary:* Requires the department of health to contract with an entity, which may be a private organization or another state that operates a similar registry, to coordinate and manage the statewide health care declarations registry in compliance with certain standards.

<a href="#">SB 5577</a>	<b>Incapacitated persons/rights</b>	S HumSer/MenHlth	Conway	Neutral
	Concerning the rights and obligations associated with incapacitated persons and other vulnerable adults.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Prohibits a guardian or limited guardian from restricting an incapacitated person's or other vulnerable adult's right to communicate, visit, interact, or otherwise associate with persons of the incapacitated person's or vulnerable adult's choosing. Requires a guardian or limited guardian of an incapacitated person to inform certain persons, within five days, after the incapacitated person: (1) Makes a change in residence; (2) Has been admitted to a medical facility for emergency or acute care; or (3) Dies. Requires the office of public guardianship, in partnership with the office of the state long-term care ombuds, to develop and offer training targeted to the legal community and persons working in long-term care facilities.			
<a href="#">SB 5593</a>	<b>Postsurgical care</b>	S Health Care	Frockt	Neutral
	Concerning postsurgical care.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Authorizes an ambulatory surgical facility to offer postsurgical care services in a postsurgical care center with the maximum length of stay for patients not to exceed seventy-two hours. Requires the department of health to make or cause to be made a survey of a postsurgical care center where an ambulatory surgical facility provides postsurgical care services in coordination with a survey conducted of the ambulatory surgical facility.			
<a href="#">SB 5599</a>	<b>Long-term care/unused funds</b>	S Ways & Means	Rivers	Neutral
	Requiring unused state funds for the health care benefits of long-term care workers to be returned to the state.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Requires unused state funds for the health care benefits of long-term care workers to be returned to the state.			
<a href="#">SB 5602</a> (HB 1523)	<b>Preventive service coverage</b>	S Health Care	Keiser	Neutral
	Requiring health plans to cover, with no cost sharing, all preventive services required to be covered under federal law as of December 31, 2016.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Requires a health plan to provide coverage for the same preventive services required to be covered under: (1) 42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-13 (2016); and (2) Federal rules or guidance in effect on December 31, 2016, implementing 42 U.S.C. Sec. 300gg-13.			
<a href="#">SB 5626</a>	<b>Step therapy/stage 4 cancer</b>	S Health Care	Miloscia	Neutral
	Prohibiting the use of step therapy in treatments for stage four advanced, metastatic cancer.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Prohibits a health benefit plan from using step therapy in treatments for stage four advanced, metastatic cancer.			
<a href="#">SB 5636</a>	<b>Telemedicine licensure</b>	S Health Care	Becker	Neutral
	Concerning telemedicine licensure reciprocity.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Requires the department of health to convene a work group, in collaboration with the boards and commissions, to explore solutions that allow telemedicine licensure reciprocity for health professionals from our border states.			

**Cert of need/skilled nursing** S Health Care Becker Neutral  
 Exempting certain skilled nursing facilities from certificate of need requirements for the addition of beds for a limited period of time.

[SB 5638](#)

*Summary:* Prohibits the department of health from requiring a certificate of need for the addition of beds to alleviate the number of patients in acute care hospitals awaiting transfer to a skilled nursing facility. Exempts a nursing home from certificate of need requirements for a one-time addition of up to thirty new skilled nursing care beds if certain conditions are met.

**Long-term care/LGBTQ needs** S Health Care Ranker Neutral  
 Requiring training for long-term care providers on the needs of the LGBTQ population.

[SB 5700](#)

*Summary:* Requires adult family home licensees, assisted living facility licensees, and nursing home licensees to complete one hour of cultural competency training on issues relating to the LGBTQ population. Requires continuing education training for long-term care workers to include at least one hour of cultural competency training on issues relating to the LGBTQ population.

**Nutrition programs** S Health Care Brown Neutral  
 Concerning the expansion of nutrition programs for older adults.

[SB 5736](#)

*Summary:* Requires the department of social and health services to develop a program to expand nutrition services through the meals on wheels program.

**Health care provider notices** S Health Care Wellman Neutral  
 Concerning notice requirements of health care providers.

[SB 5767](#)

*Summary:*

**Behavioral health/prmry care** S HumSer/MenHlth/ Brown Neutral  
 Concerning behavioral health integration in primary care.

[SB 5779](#)

*Summary:*

**Low Priority Bills**

<u>Bill Details</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Position</u>
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<b>The right to work</b> Protecting the right to work.	H Labor & Workpl	Shea	Neutral
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[HB 1006](#)

*Summary:* Prohibits a person, employer, or labor organization, as a condition of employment or continuation of employment, from requiring a person to: (1) Refrain from voluntary membership in a labor organization or from financially supporting a labor organization; (2) Become or remain a member of a labor organization; or (3) Pay any dues, fees, or other charges to a labor organization or any funds to a charity or other third-party organization in lieu of paying dues or fees to a labor organization.

<a href="#"><u>HB 1007</u></a>	<b>Religious objectors</b>	H Labor & Workpl	Shea	Neutral
	Accommodating the civil rights of religious objectors to mandatory payments to labor organizations.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Accommodates the civil rights of religious objectors to mandatory payments to labor organizations.			
<a href="#"><u>HB 1026</u></a>	<b>WA health security trust</b>	H HC/Wellness	Appleton	Neutral
	Requiring the submission of a waiver to the federal government to create the Washington health security trust.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Creates the Washington health security trust to provide coverage for a set of health services for all residents. Requires the joint select committee on health care oversight to contract for an actuarial analysis of the funding needs of the Washington health security trust and recommend a funding mechanism to the appropriate legislative standing committees and the governor. Directs the legislature to enact legislation implementing the recommendations of the joint select committee during the 2018 regular legislative session. Creates the reserve account, the displaced worker training account, and the benefits account. Provides contingent effective dates.			
<a href="#"><u>SHB 1232</u></a> (SB 5395)	<b>Retirement comm. disclosures</b>	H Rules R	Clibborn	Neutral
	Concerning the timing and content of disclosures by continuing care retirement communities.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Addresses continuing care retirement communities with regard to the timing and content of disclosures.			
<a href="#"><u>HB 1240</u></a>	<b>JARRC/agency rule making</b>	H State Governme	Koster	Neutral
	Revising the responsibilities of the joint administrative rules review committee to increase legislative oversight of agency rule making.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Modifies certain duties of the joint administrative rules review committee with regard to approving a rule for adoption and introducing a bill to refer a suspended rule to the appropriate legislative committees.			
<a href="#"><u>HB 1241</u></a>	<b>Agency rule making</b>	H State Governme	Koster	Neutral
	Increasing legislative oversight of agency rule making.			
	<i>Summary:</i> Revises the administrative procedure act to: (1) Suspend certain agency rule making until July 1, 2018; (2) Require agencies to immediately perform a review of existing agency rules; and (3) Authorize the legislature to approve or disapprove a proposed or adopted agency rule.			
<a href="#"><u>SHB 1434</u></a> (SB 5295)	<b>Shared leave/pregnancy</b>	H Approps	Robinson	Neutral
	Adding the use of shared leave for employees who are sick or temporarily disabled because of pregnancy disability or for the purposes of parental leave to bond with the employee's newborn, adoptive, or foster child.			
	<i>Summary:</i>			
	<b>Retirement comm. disclosures</b>	S Health Care	Rivers	Neutral

**[SB 5395](#)**  
**(SHB 1232)**

Concerning the timing and content of disclosures by continuing care retirement communities.

*Summary:* Addresses continuing care retirement communities with regard to the timing and content of disclosures.

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### **Monitoring Bills**

No bills.

### **Other Bills**

No bills.

Bank Signers authorization motion:

The Association and the related PAC maintain three accounts at Pacific Continental bank. HCAW Checking, Account Number 85150944; HCAW Money Market, Account Number 85150936; and HCAW PAC Checking, Account Number 85150951.

The following authorized signers should be removed from all three of these accounts: Brenda Kressler, Thomas Brown

The updated list of authorized signers for the association accounts should be as follows: Doris Visaya, Scott Salsbery, Robert (Rob) Krause and Larissa Jording.