

Chapter 388-473 WAC

ONGOING ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

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DISPOSITION OF SECTIONS FORMERLY CODIFIED IN THIS CHAPTER

- 388-473-0030 Home-delivered meals as an ongoing additional requirement. [Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.-055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090. 00-15-053, § 388-473-0030, filed 7/17/00, effective 9/1/00.] Repealed by 05-19-059, filed 9/16/05, effective 10/17/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090.

WAC 388-473-0010 What are ongoing additional requirements and how do I qualify? "Ongoing additional requirement" means a need beyond essential food, clothing, and shelter needs and is necessary to help you continue living independently.

(1) We may authorize ongoing additional requirement benefits if you are active in one of the following programs:

- (a) Temporary assistance for needy families (TANF), or tribal TANF;
- (b) State family assistance (SFA);
- (c) Refugee cash;
- (d) General assistance cash; or
- (e) Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

(2) You apply for an ongoing additional requirement benefit by notifying staff who maintain your cash or medical assistance that you need additional help to live independently.

(3) We authorize ongoing additional requirement benefits only when we determine the item is essential to you. We make the decision based on proof you provide of:

- (a) The circumstances that create the need; and
- (b) How the need affects your health, safety and ability to continue to live independently.

(4) We authorize ongoing additional requirement benefits by increasing your monthly cash assistance benefit.

(5) We use the following review cycle table to decide when to review your need for the additional benefit(s).

REVIEW CYCLE	
Program	Frequency (Months)
TANF/RCA	6 Months
GA	12 Months
SSI	24 Months
All	Any time need or circumstances are expected to change
All	Any time need or circumstances are expected to change.

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(6) Monthly payment standards for ongoing additional requirements are described under WAC 388-478-0050.

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WAC 388-473-0020 When do we authorize meals as an ongoing additional requirement? (1) We authorize additional requirement benefits for meals when we decide all of the following conditions are true:

- (a) You meet the criteria in WAC 388-473-0020;
- (b) You are physically or mentally impaired in your ability to prepare meals; and
- (c) Getting help with meals would meet your nutrition or health needs and is not available to you through another federal or state source; such as the community options program entry system (COPES), medicaid personal care (MPC), or informal support, such as a relative or volunteer.

(2) When we decide to provide meals as an additional requirement, we choose whether to authorize this benefit as restaurant meals or home-delivered meals.

- (3) We authorize restaurant meals when:
 - (a) You are unable to prepare some of your meals;
 - (b) You have some physical ability to leave your home; and

(c) Home-delivered meals are not available or would be more expensive.

- (4) We authorize home-delivered meals when:
 - (a) You are unable to prepare any of your meals;
 - (b) You are physically limited in your ability to leave your home; and
 - (c) Home-delivered meals are available.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090. 05-19-059, § 388-473-0020, filed 9/16/05, effective 10/17/05; 00-15-053, § 388-473-0020, filed 7/17/00, effective 9/1/00.]

WAC 388-473-0040 Food for service animals as an ongoing additional requirement. (1) A "service animal" is an animal that is trained for the purpose of assisting or accommodating a person with a disability's sensory, mental, or physical disability.

(2) We authorize benefits for food for a service animal if we decide the animal is necessary for your health and safety and supports your ability to continue to live independently.

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WAC 388-473-0050 Telephone services as an ongoing additional requirement. We authorize benefits for telephone services when we decide:

(1) Without a telephone, your life would be endangered, you could not live independently, or you would require a more expensive type of personal care; and

(2) You have applied for the Washington telephone assistance program (WTAP) through your local telephone company.

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WAC 388-473-0060 Laundry as an ongoing additional requirement. We authorize benefits for laundry when we decide:

(1) You are not physically able to do your own laundry;

or

(2) You do not have laundry facilities that are accessible to you due to your physical limitations.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.08.090. 00-15-053, § 388-473-0060, filed 7/17/00, effective 9/1/00.]