WAC 170-12-010 Purpose and authority. (1) The purpose of this chapter is to outline the conditions and procedures under which state funds will be made available for Head Start programs.

(2) This activity is undertaken pursuant to RCW 43.06.110 and chapter 43.330 RCW.

WAC 170-12-020 Definitions. (1) "Applicant" means a public or private nonsectarian organization which receives federal Head Start funds.

(2) "Contractor" means an applicant which has been allocated state Head Start funds under the Head Start state match program.

(3) "Department" means the department of community, trade and economic development.

(4) "Director" means the director of the department of community, trade and economic development.

(5) "Head Start program" means an operation undertaken in accordance with the program performance standards set forth in the federal Head Start Act as amended and relevant federal regulations.

WAC 170-12-041 Financial support application process. (1) Each potential applicant will be notified by the department that application for Head Start state match financial assistance is to be made to the department.

(2) An applicant must make formal application in the form and manner specified by the department. Failure of an applicant to make application in the specified time will result in no Head Start state match funds being allocated.

(3) Applications for Head Start state match financial assistance shall contain a description of the services to be provided with Head Start state match funds.

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(4) The department shall provide a contract for signature to the applicant or a request for additional information.

WAC 170-12-051 Eligibility criteria. In order to receive Head Start state match funds, a contractor must currently be receiving federal funds to operate a Head Start program. Head Start state match funds may be used only for activities which result in direct and measurable services to Head Start program children. The department shall determine the formula for distribution of state funds based on federal enrollment levels at the time of funding.

WAC 170-12-071 Method of payment and reporting requirements. (1) Head Start state match funds will be paid in accordance with the provisions of the applicable contract and these regulations.

(2) Reports to the department to assure that funds are being expended for purposes authorized in the approved contract are required in a format approved by the department.

(3) The contractor shall submit annually a current report of the audit of funds conducted by an independent auditor or office of state auditor in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Such audit may be that conducted for and provided to other funding sources. The audit report must identify state funds by contract number. Responses to any unresolved management findings and disallowed or questioned costs shall be included with the audit report.
and chapter 43.63A RCW. 79-08-050 (Order 79-02), § 365-40-071, filed 7/20/79.]