

WAC 182-538-067 Qualifications to become a managed care organization (MCO) in integrated managed care. (1) To provide physical or behavioral health services under the IMC medicaid contract:

(a) An MCO must contract with the agency.

(b) MCO must also contract with an agency-contracted behavioral health administrative service organization (BH-ASO) that maintains an adequate provider network to deliver services to clients in IMC regional service areas.

(2) A managed care organization (MCO) must meet the following qualifications to be eligible to contract with the medicaid agency:

(a) Have a certificate of registration from the Washington state office of the insurance commissioner (OIC) that allows the MCO to provide health care services under a risk-based contract;

(b) Accept the terms and conditions of the agency's managed care contract;

(c) Be able to meet the network and quality standards established by the agency; and

(d) Pass a readiness review, including an on-site visit conducted by the agency.

(3) At its discretion, the agency awards a contract to an MCO through a competitive process or an application process available to all qualified providers.

(4) The agency reserves the right not to contract with any otherwise qualified MCO.

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