

WAC 296-17A-6110 Classification 6110.

6110-00 Home health services and nursing care, N.O.C.

Applies to establishments engaged in providing skilled and semi-skilled nursing and home health care services to individuals who need the continuous care and supervision that hospitals and nursing facilities provide. Patients frequently are referred to home health agencies by physicians, hospital discharge planners or other medical professionals.

Duties of these health care providers could include:

- Going to the patient's home to assess the individual's situation, recommend a plan of treatment and coordinate the plan. (Usually a physician must authorize the plan of treatment for home care services.);

- Taking vital signs;
- Giving medications;
- Dressing wounds;
- Performing laboratory services;
- Providing therapy services, such as physical, occupational, speech and respiratory;
- Educating the patient;
- Communicating the progress of the patient to the doctor.

This classification excludes:

- Home health care social workers and dieticians with no cooking duties. If all the conditions of the general reporting rules covering standard exception employees are met, these workers may be reported separately in **6303**.

- Private households which employ workers who serve on or about the premises in occupations usually considered as domestic service, which are classified in **6510**.

- Firms engaged in providing chore workers/home care assistants to private individuals, which are classified in **6511**.

Worker hours engaged in chore service activities, such as: Doing housework, cooking, or bathing of patients, which are reported separately in classification **6511**. If records are not maintained for dividing worker hours between classifications, these hours must be reported in the highest rated classification as described in WAC 296-17-31017(4).

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