

**WAC 388-71-0888 What are the training and certification requirements for an individual provider who is initially hired to provide care for one person, if the authorized monthly hours fluctuate or individual provider begins working for more than one department client?**

(1) If an individual provider is initially hired to provide care for one client and the authorized hours are for more than twenty hours he or she will have to complete the seventy hours of basic training, become certified and complete continuing education even if the authorized monthly hours are later reduced to twenty hours or fewer.

(2) If the individual provider initially starts working for one client and the authorized monthly hours are twenty or fewer, he or she will have to complete the seventy hours of basic training, become certified, and complete continuing education whenever:

(a) The authorized hours increase to more than twenty hours; or

(b) He or she begins to work for a second department client.

(3) Under these circumstances from the point of this change, the individual provider will:

(a) Have an additional one hundred twenty days to complete the seventy hours of training and additional one hundred fifty days to become certified;

(b) Be required to complete continuing education under WAC 388-71-0990; and

(c) Be required to continue to comply with the higher level of training requirements, even if the monthly authorized hours are later reduced to twenty or fewer hours.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 74.09.520. WSR 13-02-023, § 388-71-0888, filed 12/20/12, effective 1/20/13.]