

R 2021-01 Implementation credits: Specifying health carriers as a permissible entity in WAC 284-30-595

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WAC 284-30-595 Unfair practices regarding documented expenses for implementation credits.

Under RCW 48.30.140 and 48.30.150, an insurer <u>and health carrier</u> may issue payment to offset a documented expense that is incurred by a group <u>policyholder policy holder</u> in changing coverages from one insurer or health carrier to another <u>while transferring from one policy to another policy</u> provided that the insurer <u>and health carrier</u> maintains evidence of the documented expense for three years from the date of the expense. An insurer <u>and health carrier</u> will describe in the policy or in any such filing with the commissioner that the payment made to the group <u>policyholder policy holder</u> will not exceed the amount of the documented expenses.

- (1) The failure to maintain and document an expense incurred by a group policyholder policy holder constitutes an unfair trade practice and is a violation of this chapter.
- (2) Upon the commissioner's request, the insurer <u>and health carrier</u> must provide proof of a documented expense in the form of paper or electronic copy.
- (3) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this section unless the context clearly requires otherwise.
- (a) "Insurer" has the same meaning as in RCW 48.01.050
- (b) "Health carrier" has the same meaning as in RCW 48.43.005