

WAC 296-17A-6108 Classification 6108.

Nursing homes and skilled nursing centers

Classification **6108** applies to skilled nursing facilities (SNF). This includes nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, and similar facilities. While the level of care is less urgent than for patients requiring hospitalization, SNFs, such as nursing homes, provide 24-hour supervised nursing care. They also provide personal care, therapy, nutritional management, organized activities, and social services to individuals unable to care for themselves due to injury, illness, or advanced age. These facilities are inspected and licensed by the Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS); their administrators are licensed by the Washington Department of Health (DOH).

Types of workers employed in nursing homes often include, but are not limited to:

- Activity directors
- Administrative staff
- Caregivers
- Chaplains
- Cooks and chefs
- Dietary aides
- Dieticians
- Dishwashers
- Housekeepers
- Janitors
- Laundry workers
- Lawn care workers
- Maintenance personnel
- Nurses' aides and assistants
- Practical nurses
- Registered nurses
- Social workers
- Therapists and therapists' assistants

Medical services provided to residents generally include:

- Checking and monitoring for wellness

- Dispensing medicine
- Medical exams
- Rehabilitative therapies
- Total nursing care due to illness, injury, or surgery

Personal care provided to residents may include performing or assisting with:

- Bathing
- Brushing teeth or hair
- Dressing
- Feeding
- Shaving

This classification excludes:

- Residences providing varying levels of medical services or basic personal care but not licensed by DSHS as SNF or nursing home, which are to be reported separately in classification **6509**.
- Hospitals inspected and licensed by the Department of Health (DOH) which are classified in **6105, 6120, 6121, 7200, or 7400** (assigned only by the hospital underwriter).
- Home care providers working in their clients' homes who are to be reported separately in classifications **6511** or **6512**.
- Home health and nursing providers working in their clients' homes who are to be reported separately in classification **6110**.

For administrative purposes, classification **6108** is divided into the following subclassification(s):

6108-00 DSHS licensed nursing homes

Note: *If an enterprise is licensed as a nursing home or SNF, but has a physically separate unit licensed and designated as a different type of facility, the enterprise may have both classifications assigned. It must maintain accurate records (described in WAC 296-17-35201) that clearly support the division of hours between classifications, or else report worker hours in the highest rated classification the workers are exposed to.*