


Contracts Freeze Exception Report to OFM

Agency: Health Care Authority
 Program: All
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Date Approved	Name of Contractor	Brief Description of Services	Term of Contract	Total Cost	Fund Source	Rationale for Approving Exception
12/30/2024	A Common Voice	Youth who are boarding in hospitals are brought to the ER because parents and others in their community have experienced behaviors indicating the youth is a danger to self or others. This program provides peer support to these parents to assist them in responding appropriately, identifying and utilizing formal, informal and natural supports, preventing further escalation of behaviors that led them to the ER initially. Further escalation could result in behaviors such as assaultive behavior and/or suicidal/homicidal behavior.	10/01/2024 - 06/30/2025	\$152,500.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Health Management Associates, Inc	This request pertains to extending an existing contract (K5972) for As-Needed Health Consulting Services for Safe Supply information, which are already under contract. The extension is necessary to continue the program's critical activities, including: 1. Webinars: Organizing sessions featuring international experts to share insights and successes from similar initiatives. 2. Legislative Report Summary: Preparing a concise, one-page summary of the legislative report to serve as an addendum to existing materials, enhancing stakeholder engagement. Extending the contract will ensure continuity in supporting the goals of the Safe Supply Work Group and allow completion of planned deliverables as outlined in the original scope. Funding Source: This contract is funded under A7H0 (Org Index) – G9241 (Program Index) - 27W (Fund) – MT* (Appropriation Index) - NZ-2460 (SSOB) – 0010 (Allocation), ensuring alignment with programmatic priorities and compliance with funding allocations.	09/25/2023 - 06/30/2026	\$131,897.75	Other state funds 1. This contract is funded under A7H0 (Org Index) – G9241 (Program Index) - 27W (Fund) – MT* (Appropriation Index) - NZ-2460 (SSOB) – 0010 (Allocation), ensuring alignment with programmatic priorities and compliance with funding allocations.	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Gregory Gipson; Douglas Barthold; Eileen Cody; MaryAnne Lindeblad; Hung Truong	Extending the end date of the contract with the Prescription Drug Affordability Board Members. This contract will not require new funds, we are just moving back the end date of the contract to 2027.	09/01/2024 - 06/30/2027	\$0.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Department of Health	This is a reimbursement agreement between HCA and DOH. The purpose of the agreement is for HCA, as the single State Medicaid Agency, to claim enhanced Medicaid federal funding on behalf of DOH for work that is done for the Medicaid program with regards to the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP). Children enrolled in Medicaid are required to be tested for lead. Provide 2-month extension of LO and DV services for the remainder of 2025 required to coordinate, administer, manage, and operate the The State of Washington's Clinical Data Repository, which collects and aggregates clinical information submitted by providers for lives sponsored by HCA. The CDR developed out of the Health Information Exchange (HIE) procured by DSHS.	07/01/2024 - 06/30/2026	\$908,823.00	Federal This is 50% federal administrative match. DOH is certifying state share and HCA is drawing down federal match on behalf of DOH. \$1,478,463.00 (This represents the new total maximum consideration amount for the contract. The original contract was for \$569,640.00 for 07/01/2023-06/30/2025. The amendment increases the contract by \$908,823.00 and changes the effective dates to 07/01/2024 to 06/30/2026, bringing the new total maximum compensation amount to \$1,478,463.00.)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	HCP OneHealthPort, LLC	Provide LO and DV services for 2025 required to coordinate, administer, manage, and operate the The State of Washington's Clinical Data Repository, which collects and aggregates clinical information submitted by providers for lives sponsored by HCA. The CDR developed out of the Health Information Exchange (HIE) procured by DSHS.	01/01/2025 - 02/28/2025	\$70,000.00	Split Funding 75% Federal Funding 25% State Funding	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	HCP OneHealthPort, LLC	This contract amendment includes the CY2025 Statement of Work to include website hosting, support and annual data refresh services that Forum One Communications Corporation will provide on behalf of the Washington All-Payer Claims Database website: Washington HealthCareCompare.	03/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	\$350,000.00	Split Funding 75% Federal; 25% State Funding	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Forum One Communications Cc	This contract amendment includes the CY 2025 Statement of Work to include data collection, processing, aggregation, extracts, analytics, and reporting for the Washington All-Payer Claims Database (WA-APCD).	01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	\$155,952.00	Split Funding 87.3% State / 12.7% Federal	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Onpoint Health Data	This request is to execute an amendment from an approved GSR to add \$1,999,000 to an existing client services contract with King County Behavioral Health Division's Trueblood Diversion Program. These funds are to implement the requirements of SB5440 to expand available resources and diversion programs for Trueblood class members. The GSR was approved before the December 2nd freeze directive, but we are seeking approval to execute the amendment with a start date of January 1st. These funds would use GFS budget code G#2 from the approximately \$4.09 million of unobligated available funds.	01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	\$1,841,375.00	Gen State Funds (GFS) 87.3% St Services or agency operations	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	King County Behavioral Health	Added Info: The Washington Society of Addiction Medicine (WSAM) would be creating clinical guidelines, and Yakima Memorial would be implementing those clinical guidelines on site. They are not doing the same work, and Yakima is not able to do the work that this contract is for. The sole source was posted by DES for the required amount of time with no capability statements submitted. The purpose of this agreement is to contract with the Washington Society of Addiction Medicine to act as a technical assistance partner to the Health Care Authority to create education and clinical guidance for rapid methadone initiation in the inpatient setting in accordance with ES38 5950. Content created under this contract will be adapted for the ScalaNW program. Compliance with legislative proviso: In the 2024 Supplemental Operating Budget, the legislature allocated \$2,000,000 from the opioid abatement settlement account to HCA to implement a pilot program providing rapid methadone induction services to clients in inpatient hospital settings. Of that amount, \$250,000 was provided solely for the Washington Society of Addiction Medicine (WSAM) to provide technical assistance to participating hospitals. Opioid abatement settlement funds: The funds are specifically designated for opioid epidemic abatement activities, such as prevention, treatment, recovery, harm reduction, and other programs to mitigate the opioid epidemic. This is a resubmittal. When last presented there was not an awareness that one hospital is ready to start this work now, Yakima Memorial. This region experiences a high rate of opioid mortality differentially impacting American Indian/Alaskan Native persons and this work is service related. There are another ten hospitals interested in completing this work in 2025. These funds will be used for WSAM to develop protocols and training materials that can be posted on ScalaNW and later used by any Washington hospital looking to implement this service.	01/15/2025 - 06/30/2025	\$1,999,000.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Washington Society of Addictio	The purpose of this SLA is to maintain and operate the statewide telephone consultation outreach program, in accordance with RCW 71.24.061 which is marketed as the Partnership Access Line (PAL). The goal is to support primary care providers in the assessment and provision of accurate diagnosis and treatment of children with mental and behavioral health disorders, including tracking outcomes of the program improve children's mental health treatment; and the access to that treatment by providing outreach and focused educational learning collaboratives We are amending the Statement of Work to reflect/restate changes to the deliverables and better alignment with the RCW. This is a non-financial change to the contract	01/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	\$75,000.00	Other state funds	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
12/30/2024	Seattle Children's Hospital	Renewal of existing contract for the Tribal Centric Behavioral Health Advisory Board to continue planning efforts and implementation activities for inpatient behavioral health facilities operated by Tribes statewide, including the development of a Tribal freestanding evaluation and treatment center. (General Fund - State). Funds will support the continued planning for the Tribal E&T focused on working on crisis elements including a future Tribal Evaluation and Treatment facility. The Board has been the place to work with Tribes on crisis issues and to problem solve systemic concerns at a Tribal level.	07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025	\$1,537,800.00	Split Funding 66.67% Telebehavioral Account; 33.33% remaining split 50/50 state federal	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
1/6/2025	American Indian Health Commi		12/2/2024-6/20/2026	\$250,000.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations

This contract to purchase nationwide criminal background checks is essential for HCA to carry out the core function of being able to make employment offers to individuals who have not been convicted of certain felonies that would typically prevent them from working for HCA.

HCA Administrative Policy 3-07 provides for all employment applicants, interns, and volunteers, to undergo a criminal background check prior to joining HCA. The current platform for conducting criminal background checks is Washington Access to Criminal History (WATCH), a database operated by the Washington State Patrol Identification and Criminal History Section (WASIS). This database is comprised of records sent to WASIS by courts and criminal justice agencies throughout the state of Washington. It includes conviction information, arrests less than one year old with dispositions pending, and information regarding registered sex and kidnapping offenders. The HCA recruitment team utilizes this service through a web-based portal and runs background checks for every new hire, intern, and volunteer.

The majority of HCA's positions are granted access to several highly confidential databases in order to perform their essential functions. Additionally, positions with access to Health Plan Finder fall under a federal mandate to have the incumbent's criminal background checked prior to being granted access to that system.

With migration numbers to Washington State being higher than ever, utilizing WATCH has become deficient, since it does not account for any convictions that may have occurred in other states.

1/6/2025 Data Quest LLC		1/1/2025-12/31/2025	\$35,000.00 Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
1/6/2025 WaTech	Web hosting services for hca.wa.gov, inside.hca.wa.gov and connections.hca.wa.gov	2/18/2025-2/17/2026	\$50,563.56 Split Funding	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations

Travel Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Position Title	Total Cost	Fund Source	Rationale for Approving Exception
1/6/2024	SPEC ASST FOR POLICY AND LEG STAFF	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/6/2024	LEG. RELATIONS MANAGER	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	MTP Director	\$22.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	Chief Policy Officer	\$82.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	MA5	\$0.00	Grant/Project	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	Division Director	\$60.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	Infant-Early Childhood Mental Health Progra	\$476.00	Grant/Project	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	MAPS3	\$5.04	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	MAPS3	\$10.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	MAPS3	\$10.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	Benefits Marketing Representative	\$285.40	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
12/30/2024	Benefits Marketing Representative	\$299.40	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/2/2025	IT NETWORK & TELECOMS - SR/SPEC	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/2/2025	IT NETWORK & TELECOMS - SR/SPEC	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/2/2025	IT NETWORK & TELECOMS - SR/SPEC	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/6/2025	Medical Assistance Specialist 5	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/6/2025	Behavioral Health Comms Manager	\$58.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/6/2025	CMO	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
1/6/2025	MAPS3	\$30.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
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1/6/2025	MAPS3	\$30.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/6/2025	Chief Policy Officer	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/8/2025	Process Improvement Projects Delivery Man	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/8/2025	Management Analyst 5	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position

Hiring Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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(Do not report a running list, only report new actions since your last report.)

Date Approved	Hire Date keyed into HRMS (Start Date)	SAP Position Number (8 digits)	Position Title	Job Class Code	Job Class Title	Fund Source (e.g. GFS, Traspo, etc.)	Rationale for Approving Exception
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Nothing to report

Goods and Equipment Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Description of Goods or Equipment	Total Cost	Fund Source	Rationale for Approving Exception
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Nothing to report