

Hiring Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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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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This position manages emergency preparedness, emergency response and safety training programs at HCA. It manages and updates our Continuity of Operations plan and provides expert guidance to agency leadership when safety incidents or emergencies happen. It conducts safety reviews, develops and updates response evacuation plans & procedures, oversees hazard identification, and reviews and addresses incident reports submitted by staff when accidents and near misses occur. Supports our ERT structure. Serves as the state agency safety liaison. This position also manages our secure building access system.

Contracts Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Name of Contractor	Brief Description of Services	Term of Contract	Total Cost	Fund Source	Rationale for Approving Exception
2/14/2025	University of Washington School of Dentistry	To provide education and clinical training for University of Washington dental students and dental fellows enrolled in the University of Washington DECOD program in the care of persons with acquired and/or developmental disabilities. Training will include hands on dental education under the supervision of a licensed dental professional/educator. This program is intended to increase access to care while simultaneously increasing the number of providers who are capable and willing to treat the complex patients in the community According to DECOD's annual report: During the period between July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024 the School of Dentistry located at the University of Washington provided dental services to 1,856 persons with a developmental disability or an acquired disability who were Medicaid eligible through DOH ("DD" classification; Those listed for "AD" classification: Traumatic Brain Injury, Spinal Cord Injury, MS, Muscular Dystrophy, ALS, Stroke, Spinal Muscular Atrophy, Huntington's Disease, Parkinson's Disease). 4,964 treatment visits were provided during this reporting period to these clients.	07/01/2025 - 06/30/2027	\$1,342,723.00	Split Funding	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
2/24/2025	MetLife	Our PEBB Funding Agreement expired December 27, 2024. This new 3-year funding agreement is for \$653,413.71 with a rate compounded daily equivalent to an annual effective rate of 4.96% from 1/10/25 - 1/9/28. Kate LaBelle in ERB finance confirmed in 2022 that this is a non-financial contract because this is money MetLife already has, but we are asking them to use it differently. Prior related Fundint Agreement Contract numbers: MetLife PEBB Funding Agreement #K5894 for 12/27/2021 - 12/27/2024 MetLife PEBB Funding Agreement #K3261 for 1/1/2019 - 12/31/2020	1/10/2025-1/08/2028	\$0.00	N/A	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
2/24/2025	Office of Public Defense	This is an emergency contract requested by the Gov Office for HCA to immediately (March 1) contract with OPD via an IAA to provide defense legal representation services to individuals committed under the ITA in King County at the UW BH teaching hospital.	3/1/2025-6/30/2025	\$254,804.00	Gen State Funds (GFS) Proviso 139	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
2/24/2025	Dept. Of Commerce	The purpose of this agreement is for HCA to reimburse the Department of Commerce (COM) for rent paid on behalf of enrollees in Apple Health and Homes within the Foundational Community Supports Program. This is funded under the MTP 2.0 1115 waiver and will utilize HRSN dollars for the first six months of AHAH rental assistance.	3/1/2025-6/30/2028	\$10,032,550.00	Split Funding SFY25: \$1,180,300 SFY26: \$2,950,750 SFY27: \$2,950,750 SFY28: \$2,950,750 1115 Waiver (HRSN)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/3/2025	Wellpoint	FCS HRSN Housing transition navigation funds aim to remove barriers to affordable housing including transition costs and housing deposits to assist with identifying, coordinating, securing, or funding one-time services and modifications necessary to help a person establish a basic household. This program is similar to the state funded FCS Transition Assistance Program; however, this is Medicaid funded through MTP 2.0. This project goes in tandem with the newly CMS approved FCS HRSN 6-month rental subsidy program. Federal FMAP is 50/50 which is 50% local and 50% federal	03/01/2025 - 06/30/2028	\$42,250,000.00	Split Funding FMAP is 50/50 which is 50% local and 50% federal	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/3/2025	Colehour + Cohen Inc	The Contractor shall work with HCA and the ScalaNW program manager to create a health promotion, harm reduction, and education campaign specific to the audiences of the ScalaNW program, including emergency department and acute care hospital health care providers, emergency medical services, and patients with opioid use disorder seen in the emergency department, pre-hospital, and acute care settings. The broader first responder campaign was provided using opioid abatement funds and allocated to DBHR communications. Communications has requested that this portion of the total funding be used to develop materials that will increase offering and acceptance rates in emergent and critical encounters.	04/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	\$500,000.00	Other state funds	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations

3/3/2025	SHI	Octopus Deploy is an automated deployment and release management tool designed for DevOps teams. It streamlines continuous deployment by managing application releases, infrastructure updates, and configuration changes across multiple environments. It integrates with CI/CD pipelines, supports multi-cloud and on-prem deployments, and ensures secure, repeatable, and reliable software delivery.	03/04/2025 - 03/03/2026	\$11,324.16	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/3/2025	SHI	The JetBrains product line (DataGrip, PyCharm, DataSpell, PhpStorm) are all Interactive Development Environments (IDEs) which are used by both IT and analytical teams at HCA. These provide essential tools for writing code, exploring data.	03/18/2025 - 02/22/2026	\$15,541.13	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/3/2025	Ricoh, USA	Ephesoft provides intelligent document processing that uses machine learning and OCR to automate data extraction, classification, and processing of documents (both paper and digital). Nearly every document that comes into the agency via mail, fax or email is processed by Ephesoft and moved into our document repository (Laserfiche).	05/31/2025 - 05/30/2026	\$22,608.41	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/4/2025	SHI	Articulate is a suite of eLearning authoring tools that enable users to create interactive and engaging online courses, training, programs, and presentations. Training and eLearning modules created with Articulate can be integrated into LMS for tracking and monitoring learner progress. Articulate is used by the following divisions: ERD, COM, DBHR, MCS, and ERB.	3/6/2025-3/5/2026	16,098.88	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/5/2025	Granger School District	<p>Granger School District will be a new contract for our School-Based Health Care Services (SBHS) program. Our SBHS program provides critical fee-for-service reimbursement to contracted school districts, Educational Service Districts (ESDs), Charter, and Tribal schools for providing medically necessary health care related services to Medicaid-eligible children who receive special education services per an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Covered services include audiology, counseling services, mental health services (individual and group counseling), occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech language therapy, and nursing services.</p> <p>To participate in the SBHS program, a zero-cost contract is required before enrolling providers and billing ProviderOne for direct covered services provided to students with IEPs or IFSPs. We currently have approximately 200 contracted school districts that received freeze exemption approval and Granger School District would be a new addition to the current SBHS contracts and the work we do. The SBHS program is funded with 50% federal funds and 50% state funds. Approximately contribution of \$13 million in state funds for reimbursement for Medicaid services in previous fiscal year.</p> <p>Financial no max- approximately \$13 million in previous year for reference.</p>	3/1/2025 - 6/30/2025	13,000,000	Split Funding 50% GF-S / 50% Federal	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/6/2025	Tacoma Pierce County Health Department (TPCHD)	The Infant Mortality Reduction contract has been in place since 2012, was originally funded through a proviso, and has continued at the same funding level of \$80,000 GFS and \$80,000 Federal funds each state fiscal year. The funding has moved into the divisional administrative budget since FY 2013 and is provided solely to TPCHD to use 2 health coordinators to seek out and assist Medicaid-eligible and potentially eligible pregnant and postpartum clients and their infants, prioritizing high risk populations in Pierce County. The staff provide outreach and case management, assist clients in applying for Medicaid, and inform high risk eligible clients about their benefits and how to access Medicaid-funded medical services as early as possible in their pregnancy. The focus of the contract is to help high risk pregnant and postpartum people within the county have a healthy pregnancy and to decrease infant morbidity and mortality risks. PI code used for current contract is A3615.	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2028	480,000	Split Funding 50% GF-S / 50% Federal	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/7/2025	TBD	The purpose of this RFP is to identify and contract with a Lead Organization to support the development and implementation of the Washington State Community Information Exchange (CIE) Program, along with the associated State-Supported CIE Technology. This will support statewide health-related social needs (HRSN) service delivery, which is part of the MTP 2.0 Waiver. CIE is funded through the MTP waiver, which is exclusively from federal and private/local sources, with no state general fund.	7/1/2025 - 6/30/2030	56,516,000	Split Funding This is 50/50 federal and local under Appropriation Index OE*/5A*.	Essential Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations

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
1/2/2025	<p>RFP 2024HCA7, as directed by (ESSB) 5950; Section 215(130), offers Client Services and provides funding for 32 residential treatment beds at the Olympic Heritage Behavioral Health (OHBH) facility. On November 22, Pioneer Human Services (PHS) was identified as the ASB and will offer 8 withdrawal management beds and 24 co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder residential treatment beds. The primary focus of these client services is addressing the behavioral health needs of adults with a history or likelihood of legal involvement to reduce the number of people accessing treatment through the criminal legal system. HCA will lease two floors for these client services from DSHS and sublease to PHS. HCA will direct contract with PHS for start-up and ramp-up funds and as of January 1, 2026, client services at PHS will be offered through contracts with MCOs.</p> <p>This exemption request is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve HCA to purchase essential goods and equipment for two floors at OHBH to ready the facility to provide community behavioral health services. <p>Funding breakout: \$400,000, G-FS for FY25, start-up funds</p> <p>For FY25, Program Index: C1326 EAI: L82 EAP: MP2 Program: 150</p>		400,000 Gen State Funds (GFS)	Non-Discretionary Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations

Travel Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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1/2/2025	IT NETWORK & TELECOMS - JOURNEY	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/24/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
1/29/2025	BENEFITS MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
2/25/2025	Regional Tribal Liaison	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position;#Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
2/25/2025	Tribal BH Administrator	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position;#Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
2/28/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
2/28/2025	MAPS3	\$6.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	Chief Medical Officer	\$11.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/4/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/4/2025	MAPS3	\$1.72	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/4/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	MAPS3	\$637.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/4/2025	SEB Board Member	\$42.00	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	SEB Board Member	\$101.43	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	SEB Board Member	\$37.80	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	SEB Board Member	\$16.80	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	SEB Board Member	\$4.97	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	Health Services Consultant 4	\$78.00	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	PEB Board Member	\$308.44	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	PEB Board Member	\$331.82	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	BENEFITS MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE	\$455.72	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/3/2025	SEB Board Member	\$716.35	Other State Funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/4/2025	Facilities Manager	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position