

## Hiring Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Hire Date keyed into HRMS (Start Date)	SAP Position	Position Title	Job Class Code	Job Class Title	Fund Source (e.g. C	Rationale for Approving Exception
12/18/2024	3/16/2025	71073840	School Age Child, Youth & Families Integrates Services Supervisor	WMS02	WMS Band 2	9659 (GF-S)	This position is necessary to ensure critical programs that relate to children and youth behavioral health can function and perform work necessary to receive and maintain federal funding. This position supports HCA's Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery by providing supervision, oversight, and accountability to Wraparound with Intensive Services (WiSe), the Parent Child Assistance Program (PCAP), Fetal Substance Impact Systems development, Family Initiated Treatment (FIT), and Children's Long Term Inpatient Program (CLIP). CLIP and WiSe serve some of the most acute and vulnerable youth and families in Washington State. Maintaining quality care that meets federal regulations is necessary to receive Medicaid funding for CLIP level of care in Washington. This position is 1 of 3 unit supervisors in the section, with 10 direct reports who are perform work necessary to receive or maintain federal funds; however, the position itself doesn't meet exemption criteria.
12/23/2024	3/17/2025	71107547	IT Quality Assurance - Senior/Specialist	484QA	IT Quality Assurance	PEBB (A418)	This position is critical to supporting the successful operations of the PEBB and SEBB enrollment platform, health carrier interfaces, and invoicing of over \$2 billion annually. This position is accountable for ensuring ERBs IT systems adhere to federal laws, regulations, standards mandated by PEB and SEB Boards, Washington Technology Solutions, HCA policies and standards, and all applicable RCW/WAC. Additionally supports health carriers in maintaining federal compliance (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services). The absence of this position puts at risk appropriate invoicing of 1,000+ PEBB and SEBB organizations which can lead to impacts for 420,000 state/school employees and retirees payroll and other automatic deductions. Up to 700,000 members can experience delays in receiving health coverage at the point of care and critically needed medications as a result of IT system issues. This position is critical to ensuring successful program operations.

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
3/10/2025	TBD	Conduct a request for qualifications and quotations for a licensed orthodontist that can provide the following: conduct utilization reviews and making medical necessity determinations for orthodontia services as defined by Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 182-501-0165 and WAC 182-535A for Apple Health/Medicaid clients.	07/01/2025 - 06/30/2027	\$639,000.00	Split Funding	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
		Recovery and Community programs provide peer coaching and recovery support services in their communities. Services funded include recovery housing, peer support, mutual support groups, transportation, basic needs, accountability groups, education and employment services, emotional support, information and referral, and mentoring.  As the contract manager I am responsible for monitoring the agencies' performance, this includes assuring vital support services are spent as outlined in their contracts. In this case the new restrictions on how block grants funds can be spent have limited Okanogan Behavioral Health's ability to spend at the projected budgeted amount as outlined in GSR 1891. King County BHASO has shown the ability and need for additional funds which is the reason for reallocation of funds.  This request is cost neutral, as GSR1891 reduced Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Support Block Grant (SUPTRS) unspent funds for FY25 from K6103 with Okanogan Behavioral Health (-\$53,500). This GSR 1899 will add the funds that were reduced in GSR 1891 to contract K6107 with King County BHASO (\$53,500), for recovery support client services				
3/10/2025	King County BHASO	Contract to develop a post-overdose family support toolkit intended to provide resources, education, and support families or loved ones connected to someone who has just experienced an overdose. This fills a need across several programs stemming from the State v. Blake decision which serve people at risk of overdose by widening awareness and supports in community and will be accomplished using vacancy savings from the Blake budget. Budget code: A7H0 DBHR Admin OI - Fund 001 - C9821 MH Serv Prog Index - BP2 Appropriation Index - Object C	03/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	\$53,500.00	Federal	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/10/2025	Health Management Associates	Request is for continued Behavioral Health Data Infrastructure project management support. To improve the state's ability to report on behavioral health programs, HCA is working to increase standardization and quality in behavioral health data collection and validation, tailored to specific program reporting needs. The Behavioral Health Data Infrastructure portfolio requires continued experienced project management to ensure successful completion. This portfolio of projects will improve HCA's ability to meet existing federal reporting requirements.	03/15/2025 - 09/30/2025	\$150,000.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/10/2025	Treinen Associate	HCA and Contractor wish to amend the Contract to clarify scope of representation and to include additional indigent legal defense services for individuals at the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) operated Olympic Heritage Behavioral Health (OHBH) per GOV Office Request. Max was \$254,804. We are adding \$175,134 making the new max = \$429,938	05/01/2025 - 06/30/2026	\$290,000.00	Split Funding	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/10/2025	Office of Public Defense		03/01/2025 - 06/30/2025	\$175,134.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/10/2025	SHI	Zoom is a cloud-based communication platform that is used for virtual meetings, webinars, and collaboration.	3/16/2025-3/15/2026	\$22,779.99	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential   Necessary to continue critical services or agency operations
3/3/2025 (UPDATED 3/11/2025)	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.	4/1/2025 - 06/30/2025	UPDATED: \$300,000	Other State Funds	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

# Travel Freeze Exception Report to OFM

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Date Approved	Position Title	Total Cost	Fund Source	Rationale for Approving Exception
3/10/2025	Apple Health Communications I	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/10/2025	Assistant Director	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/10/2025	SPEC ASST FOR POLICY AND LEG	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position; funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/10/2025	Occupational Nurse Consultant	\$245.00	3rd party	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/10/2025	DEPUTY CIO - MEDICAID SERVIC	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/10/2025	WSU Contractor SLA1 K3824	\$1,076.20	Other state funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/11/2025	Child, Youth, & Family BH Sectic	\$11.76	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
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3/17/2025	MAS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAS3	\$67.80	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$294.50	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$33.60	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$18.06	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	HCA Contractor	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$11.76	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$389.00	Federal	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$211.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$211.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$237.50	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	SR Manager, Office Consumer P	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	SR Manager, Office Consumer P	\$231.00	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	Criminal Legal System	\$389.00	Federal	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	MAPS3	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	IT ARCHITECTURE - EXPERT	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	Clinical Pharmacist	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/17/2025	Chief Medical Officer	\$44.28	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	Chief Medical Officer	\$14.28	Gen State Funds (GFS)	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/17/2025	AA4	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/18/2025	BENEFITS MARKETING REPRESEI	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
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3/18/2025	Cost Board & Commissions Dire	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/18/2025	COVERAGE STRATEGIES MANAC	\$0.00	N/A	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/19/2025	Cost Board & Commissions Dire	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
3/19/2025	MA5	\$0.00	N/A	Funded exclusively by private or federal grants
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3/18/2025	ERB Deputy Director	\$163.43	Other state funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/18/2025	Retiree Benefits Manager	\$163.43	Other state funds	Essential to the responsibilities of a position
3/18/2025	Tribal Affairs Adminstrator	\$1,000.00	Split Funding	Essential to the responsibilities of a position