



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Olympia, Washington 98504

Nursing Home Capital Expenditure Minimum Dollar Threshold for Nursing Home Projects

The Certificate of Need (CN) Program is required to review renovations or alterations of a nursing homes. [(Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 70.38.105(4)(g)] The type of review depends on the cost of the project. Every other year, the CN Program establishes a capital expenditure minimum dollar threshold for nursing home projects. The following information applies to nursing projects that will begin in calendar years 2019 or 2020.

The 2019 – 2020 capital expenditure minimum dollar threshold for nursing home projects is \$2,834,165, unless the project meets the criteria for exemption under Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 246-310-044(2).

- If a nursing home renovation or alteration project exceeds \$2,834,165 and the project does not meet any of the conditions under WAC 246-310-044(2), a Certificate of Need is required prior to beginning the project.
- If the nursing home renovation or alteration project will cost \$2,834,165 or less, then the project does not require a Renovation Authorization prior to beginning the project.

The program used the 77th edition of Gordian Group's Construction Cost Data-Historical Cost Index-RS Means to make this change. The United States Department of Commerce Composite Construction Cost Index previously used to make this change is no longer published.

If you have questions, contact the Certificate of Need Program at (360) 236-2955.