

# Healthcare for Workers with Disabilities Program

The *Healthcare for Workers with Disabilities (HWD)* program recognizes the employment potential of people with disabilities, and represents Washington State's response to the "Ticket to Work" legislation passed by Congress in 1999.

Under *HWD*, people with disabilities can earn more money and purchase healthcare coverage for a cost based on a sliding income scale.

***HWD benefits include:***

- Medicaid benefit package
- Greater personal and financial independence
- Members earn and save more without the risk of losing their healthcare coverage

***Who qualifies for HWD?*** Washington residents who

- Are age 16 through 64
- Meet federal disability requirements
- Are employed (including self-employment) full or part time
- Have monthly net income\* at or below 220% of the federal poverty level - \$1,907 for one person or \$2,567 for a married couple

***What does it cost?*** Your monthly premium is based on a sliding scale. It cannot be more than 7.5% of your total income - but it can be less!

***Interested in learning more?*** If you have been afraid of pursuing your career goals for fear of losing your health coverage, this program may be perfect for you. **To apply for HWD, call 1-800-827-1808.**

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