

June 4, 2025

TO: All Licensed Washington State Health Maintenance Organizations, Third Party Administrators (“TPAs”), Registered Administrative Services Providers with Respect to Health Insurance, Insurance Companies, and Health Service Corporations (together “Assessed Entities”)

RE: 2026 WAPAL Fund Monthly Assessment Rate

At its annual rate-setting meeting held on May 22, 2025, the Advisory Council to the state of Washington (WA) Partnership Access Lines (PAL) funding program (WAPAL Fund) voted to recommend the per person monthly assessment rate to the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA) for state fiscal year (FY) 2026. After careful review of fiscal control points, the Council unanimously recommended a rate of \$0.07 per covered life per month.

We are pleased to advise that HCA approved the Council’s recommended FY2026 rate. **Accordingly, the monthly \$0.07 per covered life per month assessment rate will become effective with payments due on November 15, 2025.** This rate applies to all ages of covered lives, and KidsVax®’s assessment system will automatically apply the correct rate for all timely filed payer assessment reports.

Assessed entities must log in to the WAPAL Fund system after the end of every calendar quarter to file a covered lives report and receive an invoice for the quarterly assessment due. Please visit <https://www.WAPALfund.org/> for more information or <https://assessments.WAPALfund.org/> to file a quarterly report.

Quarter	Reporting Opens	Payment Due
July – September	October 1	November 15
October – December	January 1	February 15
January – March	April 1	May 15
April – June	July 1	August 15

Thank you for your continued support of Washington’s PAL program and for helping Washingtonians have access to the behavioral healthcare they need.

Sincerely,



Seema P. Mack, President & CEO
KidsVax, LLC
serving via contract with HCA as the
Executive Director of WAPAL Fund