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**RE: Implementation of SSB 5986 and updates to the Balance Billing Protection Act (R 2024 – 01)
Comments from Coordinated Care Corporation, NAIC# 95831**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Coordinated Care Corporation (“CCC”) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback to the Office of the Insurance Commissioner (“OIC”) on the prepublication draft for the Implementation of SSB 5986 and updates to the Balance Billing Protection Act (R 2024 – 01). CCC is a member of the Association of Washington Health Plans (“AWHP”) and hereby endorses all suggestions raised in AWHP’s comment letter on this rulemaking. In addition to the concerns/issues raised in the AWHP comment letter, we would also like to bring to your attention the issue/concern discussed below for further consideration.

New WAC Section

WAC 284-43B-029 – Local governmental entity rate reporting to the insurance commissioner.

The provision in subsection 4(b) require local governmental entities to report updated rates to the insurance commissioner 90 days in advance prior to the effective date of the updated rate. In the example given, for an updated rate to be effective January 1, 2026, the local governmental entity must report the rate to the insurance commissioner by November 1, 2025. It appears there is an error with the reporting date because 90 days prior to 1/1/2026 should be October 1, 2025, and not November 1, 2025.

We therefore recommend WAC 284-43B-029(4)(b) be updated to state as follows.

(b) Updated rates must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the effective date of the updated rate. For example, if the effective date of an updated rate is January 1, 2026, the submission to the commissioner must occur on or before ~~November~~October 1, 2025.

Thank you for consideration of our comments. Please let us know if you have any questions. You may reach us at WACCompliance@centene.com.

Respectfully,
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