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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Orwall, Pollet, Berry, Fey, Reed, Fosse, Macri, and Davis)

1 AN ACT Relating to the availability of prevention services under
2 medical assistance programs; adding a new section to chapter 74.09
3 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 43.70 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) By July 1, 2025, the authority shall seek approval from the
8 federal centers for medicare and medicaid services to secure federal
9 financial participation in the costs of providing hospital-based
10 community violence prevention services through timely interventions
11 to any person enrolled in a medical assistance program pursuant to
12 this chapter. The prevention services must be evidence-informed,
13 trauma-informed, supportive, and nonpsychotherapeutic services for
14 the purpose of promoting improved health outcomes, trauma recovery,
15 and positive behavioral change.

16 (2) The authority shall adopt criteria for reimbursement of
17 hospital-based community violence prevention services under
18 subsection (1) of this section.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 43.70
20 RCW to read as follows:

1 The department shall establish training program standards for
2 educational programs that train and certify individuals to provide
3 hospital-based community violence prevention services identified
4 under section 1 of this act. The department shall approve training
5 programs that meet the standards which must, at a minimum, include
6 instruction in basic trauma-informed care, community-based prevention
7 strategies, case management, referral practices, advocacy practices,
8 and state and federal privacy requirements. Training programs may be
9 private or public entities that operate on a local, state, or
10 national basis. The department may adopt rules to establish the
11 training program standards.

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