

### **Fact Sheet:**

# Rainier School Division of Developmental Disabilities

The Department of Social and Health Services will improve the safety and health of individuals, families, and communities by providing leadership and establishing and participating in partnerships.

## **Historical Information**

1939	Opened with 172 residents and 63 staff on approximately 90 acres of cleared land.
1958	Population increased to a maximum of 1,918 people
1977	Rainier School become certified as an Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled (ICD/ID) by successfully meeting Federal Social Security Administration regulations; This resulted in Title XIX matching funds
	907 people were in residence at the time
	Initiated a major, three phased renovation of the campus to build duplex style residences for 14 or 16 people; Renovations completed 1982
1981	Significant re-organization needed to meet federal ICF requirements;
	Established five administrative units, named Program Area Teams; this organization remains in place today
1980s	Community placement from Rainier School pursued; 245 people moved from the facility during the decade.
1990	Requested independent certification of each Program Area Team
1998	Department of Justice announces an investigation of Rainier School
2011	Department of Justice (DOJ) investigation settled without court activity;
	DOJ scrutiny resulted in changed professional and programmatic practices

## **Current Information**

#### **Residents** 350 long term residents

- 125 men, 225 women
- Average age men 55; women 58 years old
- Age ranges from 23 to 93
- Longest person has been in residence since the age of 7 and has lived at the facility for 71 years

**Budget** Annual budget of \$66 Million

**Daily Rate** Average FY 11 - \$468 per day

**Employees** FY 11 spent 828 FTEs

Majority of employees are direct support professionals – Attendant Counselors, Nurses, Adult Training Specialists and Professional staff

Organization Three administrative units or "Program Area Teams (PATS)"

All PATs are fully certified in the ICF/ID regulations

**Program** Many residents are employed on and off campus at work sites;

Wages are typically based on productivity

Resident jobs vary from recycling crews at Green River College; a resident run Thrift store in Buckley, furniture assembly; producing garden accessories like stepping stones; on campus crew work and other pre-work development activities

Recreational opportunities occur on campus, local parks and patronage of local business for shopping, dinner, movies and other entertainment

#### Quality Assurance

Rainier School meets meet eight regulatory areas to be certified as an ICF

- Governing Body *Management*
- Resident Protections *legal rights, safety*
- Facility Staffing
- Active Treatment treatments and training services; activities; quality of life
- Resident Behavior and Facility Practices –intervention services and any use of restrictive procedures
- Health Care Services
- Physical Environment
- Dietetic Services food and nutrition

The facility is also inspected and audited by the State Fire Marshall, Social Security Administration, Board of Pharmacy, Department of Health, Department of Labor and Industries and other regulating organizations

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**Risk** Deaths: 44 deaths since 2008; 5 deaths were due to accidents or trauma;

**Data** Litigation Experience: On average two to four claims are filed annually. The

great majority of tort claims are employment related

Safety: In that last five years, two fines have been applied from Department of

**Labor and Industries** 

## **Building and Lands**

**Address** Located in Buckley, Washington at 600 Ryan Road

**Campus** Originally 820 acre Campus

Owned by the Department of Social and Health Services

Approximately 90 acres in use

Remaining acres are rural - farm and forest lands Partially bounded by residential neighborhoods

**Building** 82 buildings

Age Constructed between 1939 and 1982

Size 837,289 square footage

**Homes** 23 duplex residences

7 duplexes are habitable but un-occupied

**Local** Partnership with City of Buckley for water supply

**Relationships** Partnership with local authorities for waste water treatment

Partnership with Washington State University for experimental farming

**Facility** 69 % of buildings assessed to be in "fair" condition

**Condition** \$ 46.6 Million – estimate of preservation backlog costs **Assessment** \$151.9 Million – estimate for building replacement