**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**

**CR-101 (October 2017)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Health Care Authority  
**Subject of possible rule making:** WAC 182-550-4300 Hospitals and units exempt from the DRG payment method; other related rules as appropriate.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 41.05.021, RCW 41.05.160

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The agency is amending WAC 182-550-4300(5) to align the rule with the Medicaid State Plan, which does not have specific time limitations on inpatient withdrawal management services. During this review, HCA may identify additional related changes that are required to improve clarity or update policy.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

**Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):**
- [ ] Negotiated rule making  
- [ ] Pilot rule making  
- [ ] Agency study  
- [X] Other (describe) The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rulemaking (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

**Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:**

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**Additional comments:**

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