Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 182-504-0005, Washington apple health – Retroactive certification period; WAC 182-500-0010, Medical assistance definitions – A; 182-500-0020, Definitions – C; 182-500-0035, Medical assistance definitions - F; 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 182-504-0005 and sections of chapter 182-500 WAC, Medical definitions, to implement requirements in RCW 74.09.830 regarding postpartum health care coverage. The amended rules will provide for retroactive postpartum coverage and define after-pregnancy coverage, continuous eligibility, and full scope coverage. 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: Federal Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):
☐ Negotiated rule making
☐ Pilot rule making
☐ Agency study
☒ 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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