



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Health Care Authority, Washington Apple Health

**Subject of possible rule making:**

WAC 182-546-5000 through 182-546-6200 Nonemergency Transportation

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

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:**

The agency is making revisions to the definitions, nonemergency transportation broker and provider requirements, nonemergency transportation trips outside the client's local community, and limitations and exclusions for discharges from the emergency department. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional changes that are required in order 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:** N/A

**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.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

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