



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do NOT use for expedited rule making

CODE REVISER USE ONLY

OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER
STATE OF WASHINGTON
FILED

DATE: September 13, 2024

TIME: 3:39 PM

WSR 24-19-060

Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making:

182-531-1400, Psychiatric physician-related services and other professional mental health services; 182-531-1710, Alcohol and substance misuse counseling; 182-538D-0200, Behavioral health services - Definitions; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 41.05.021, RCW 41.05.160, [RCW 18.227.100](#) (SSB 5189 chapter 270, Laws of 2023)

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The agency is revising these sections to add behavioral support specialists as an eligible provider type and add behavioral health support specialist definition to align with the state plan definition. During the course of this review, HCA may identify additional related 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: The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

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:

Name: Jason Crabbe (Rulemaking Questions)
 Address: PO Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716
 Phone: 360-725-9563
 Fax: 360-586-9727
 TTY: Telecommunication Relay Services (TRS): 711
 Email: Jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov
 Web site: www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking
 Other:

(If necessary)

Name: Yvonne Keller (Program Questions)
 Address: PO Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716
 Phone: 360-725-9993
 Fax: 360-586-9727
 TTY: Telecommunication Relay Services (TRS): 711
 Email: Yvonne.keller@hca.wa.gov
 Web site: www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking
 Other:

Additional comments:

Date: September 13, 2024

Name: Wendy Barcus

Title: HCA Rules Coordinator

Signature: