



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Aging and Disability Services Administration

Subject of possible rule making:

The department is amending chapter 388-106 WAC, Long-Term Care Services.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2687, Chapter 329, Laws of 2008 (Washington State Supplemental Operating Budget)

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

Engrossed Substitute House Bill 2687 directs the department to amend rules in Chapter 388-106 WAC to phase in full implementation of a new 17 level CARE assessment payment system by July 1, 2008.

Currently, the department assigns a home and community residential client to one of 12 CARE classifications. The development of 17 CARE classifications for home and community residential clients will allow the department to more accurately assess residential clients' level of need. After the department develops the 17 levels of CARE classifications for home and community residential care, then it will assign a payment rate to each of the classification levels.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

There are no other agencies that regulate this subject.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to 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:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.) Contact:

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