



# 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, Economic Services Administration

**Subject of possible rule making:**

The Community Services Division, Economic Services Administration, is proposing to amend WAC 388-408-0020, When am I not allowed to be in a TANF or SFA assistance unit?, to clarify that adoptive children are always to be included in such units, as per WAC 388-408-0015, regardless of adoption support received.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:**

RCWs 74.04.050 and 74.04.057

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

Currently, WAC 388-408-0020 appears to contradict or at least confuse the rule stated in WAC 388-408-0015, creating uncertainty among eligibility staff about which rule to follow. The Community Services Division is proposing to streamline the policy and plain talk the WAC to make it easier to understand.

**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)

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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