STATE OF WASHINGTON
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Home and Community Living Administration
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CR-105 FILED TO AMEND SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 388-76 WAC (ADULT FAMILY HOME MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS), CHAPTER 388-78A, (ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY LICENSING RULES), AND CHAPTER 388-107 (LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR ENHANCED SERVICES FACILITIES)

Dear Provider/Administrator:

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) seeking to amend WACs

- 388-76-10506 Written residency agreement—Residents with medicaid as a payor.
- 388-76-10617 Resident rights—Transfer and discharge notice—Residents with medicaid as a payor.
- 388-78A-2651 Written residency agreement—Residents with medicaid as a payor.
- 388-78A-2661 Resident rights—Transfer and discharge notice—Residents with medicaid as a payor.
- 388-107-0161 Written residency agreement—Residents with medicaid as a payor.
- 388-107-0281 Transfer and discharge notice—Residents with medicaid as a payor.

The purpose of this filing is to add clarifying information (legal services phone number) and updated contact information (Washington state Long-Term Care Ombuds) to the recently adopted rules. This information was not available at the time of the original rule filing.

A CR-105 (WSR 26-02-042) and a copy of the proposed amended rule text was filed with the Office of the Code Reviser on January 2, 2026. Please check the HCLA website often for updated information about the CR-105 filing.

For questions related to this CR-105 filing please contact Colleen Jensen, AFH Policy Program Manager, 360-564-999-3182 or RCSPolicy@dshs.wa.gov

Sincerely,
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