

SHB 1218 Disaster Preparedness Rule Making Meeting Agenda

Program Manager: Brian Laughlin



Date	February 15, 2023	Time	1:30 pm – 3:30 pm
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Work Group Members					
Alyssa Odegaard, Leading Age WA		John Ficker, AFHC		Courtney Neubauer, LTC Ombuds	X
Laura Hofmann, LeadingAge WA	X	Amy Freeman, LTC Ombuds	X	Jane Kuja, Resident	X
Lauri St. Ours, WHCA	X	Patricia Hunter, LTC Ombuds	X	Susan Hart, Resident	X
Elena Madrid, WHCA	X	Travis Nichols, DOH		Steve Peck, ODHH	
Vicki McNealey, WHCA	X	Erika Estrada, DOH		Jim House, CIEP	X
Stuart Ostfeld, Provider		Tom Rollins, Provider		Kelly Hampton, DDA	X

Others attending					
Kristin Camper, DOH	X	Torre Wright, RCS	X	Libby Wagner, RCS	X
Karen Cordero, AFHC	X	Samantha Huggins, RCS	X	Vicki Bouvier, RCS	X
Todd Holloway	X	Colleen Jensen, RCS	X		
Larissa Lewis, LNI	X	Molly McClintock, RCS	X		

- Meeting Objectives**
1. Compare existing nursing home disaster plan in state rules to proposed rules
 2. Collect recommendations and comments from work group

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Time	Lead	Topic
1:30 pm – 1:35 pm	Brian Laughlin	Welcome and Recap of last meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During the previous meeting the work group discussed making adjustments to the meeting to improve flow and organization. • The work group discussed a gap analysis that looked at existing nursing home disaster plan rules compared to SHB 1218 requirements. 		
1:45 pm – 2:30 pm	Brian Laughlin	Nursing home disaster plan rules comparison table
<p>The work group reviewed a comparison rule table to show what the rules could look like if we addressed the items discussed in the gap analysis. It is not draft of the rule text which will be developed later in the rulemaking process.</p> <p>On updating the list of hazards in the rules that nursing homes must consider for emergency plans, the work group mentioned that there should be more emphasis on a hazards and risk assessment that is local to that facility. For example, federal requirements ask nursing homes to address both community and facility risks in their emergency plans. Work group also suggested checking with Department of Health for current term to describe emerging infectious diseases.</p> <p>Members of the work group shared that requiring up to two weeks of emergency provisions is likely to be difficult to accomplish for nursing homes due to cost, limited space, and maintenance. A requirement like this may also be difficult to survey. Work group members suggested that risk assessment should drive appropriate quantity and types of emergency provisions.</p> <p>For potential requirements on sharing emergency during emergency, there could be more clarity on what this means. Federal rules has a similar requirement around sharing resident medical information to ensure continuum of care during a disaster. The work group discussed that this also could mean sharing information about the disaster to staff, residents, families, and others to ensure everyone is informed on health and safety issues.</p>		

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3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Brian Laughlin	Next steps
For the next meeting, the work group will close out discussion on nursing homes and begin to look at assisted living facilities requirements for disaster plans from SHB 1218.		