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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
*Aging and Long-Term Support Administration*  
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**ALTSA: AFH #2022-023**  
**CR-103E and CR-101 FILED TO PROPOSE AMENDING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 388-76**  
**WAC (ADULT FAMILY HOME MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS)**

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

On May 10, 2022, the department filed a CR-103E emergency rule under [WSR 22-11-020](#) to amend WAC 388-76-10455. This rule is effective May 10, 2022, and allows Adult Family Home resident managers, providers, caregivers, staff, and entity representatives to administer epinephrine to residents assessed as requiring it. These changes are necessary to protect public health, safety, and welfare or necessary to avoid an immediate threat to the state's natural resources.

RCW 70.54.440 allows authorized entities who have received training to administer epinephrine to individuals experiencing anaphylaxis. The amended rule will require resident managers, providers, caregivers, staff, and entity representatives to complete an anaphylaxis training program prior to providing or administering an epinephrine autoinjector. The training must be conducted by a nationally recognized organization experienced in training laypersons in emergency health treatment or an entity or individual approved by the department of health.

WAC 246-570-040 notes online training is available through the American Red Cross. The cost is \$35.00 and you can access the training through this link: [Anaphylaxis and Epinephrine Auto-Injector - Online Course \(redcross.org\)](#). The department is exploring other training options and will share information when it becomes available. We encourage resident managers, providers, caregivers, and staff to complete the training as soon as possible.

On May 10, 2022, the department filed a CR-101 under [WSR 22-11-023](#) with Office of the Code Reviser to begin the rulemaking process to permanently adopt the emergency rule requirements. If you have comments about the rule text or any questions about rulemaking, please contact Colleen Jensen, Adult Family Home Policy Program Manager, at (564) 999-3182 or [colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov). Comments are due by June 24, 2022.

Thank you for your continued commitment to client health and safety.

Sincerely,

Mike Anbesse, Director  
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