

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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ALTSA: AFH #2023-029 IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER 388-76 WAC AMENDMENTS

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

On August 1, 2023, the department amended rules for Chapter 388-76 WAC. Residential Care Services (RCS) notified providers of the rule change in Dear Provider letter AFH #2023-025.

The purpose of this letter is to let you know how to access a recorded webinar and related PowerPoint slides to help you understand the changes.

Key areas of impact:

- Creation of WACs resulting from 2020 RCW changes that allow certain adult family home providers to increase their capacity from six residents to eight;
- Changes to help adult family homes comply with liability insurance requirements;
- Clarification of management agreement language and enforcement; and
- Creation of a process for adult family home providers to request an exemption to rule.

Access the <u>recorded webinar</u> and <u>PowerPoint slides</u> by going to the ALTSA Adult Family Home Provider page Information for Adult Family Home Providers | DSHS (wa.gov).

If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Jensen, Policy Program Manager, at (564) 999-3182 or colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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