



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
PO Box 45600, Olympia, Washington 98504-5600

July 14, 2016

AL TSA: CCRSS #2016-004
CR 102 SUPPLEMENTAL FILED TO PROPOSE
ADDING AND AMENDING SECTIONS TO CHAPTER 388-101 WAC

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Provider:

In June 2015, the Department began the rulemaking process to add and amend sections to Chapter 388-101 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) for Certified Community Residential Services and Supports (CCRSS).

Recently, the Department filed a CR-102 Supplement, a more formal phase of the rulemaking process, due to the expiration of a filing deadline. The CR-102 Supplemental, including proposed rule language, is available on the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (AL TSA) professional page for CCRSS providers at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-certified-community-residential-services-and-supports-providers>.

There have been some minor edits from the original filing, but none that change the intent of the rule. These proposed changes are the result of the following legislation:

- House Bill 1307 which passed during this legislative session. This bill adds progressive enforcement options to the WAC chapter and allows RCS to be more flexible with remedies.
- Substitute Senate Bill 5600 passed during this legislative session and changed portions of the definition of abuse.
- Initiative 1163 passed in 2011 but had some requirements for supported living staff around training and fingerprint checks that do not go into effect until January 2016.

In response to these rule changes, you may either submit comments in person at the public hearing listed below or in writing to the Department's Rules and Policies Assistance Unit (RPAU).

The formal hearing for the proposed rules is scheduled:

Date: July 26, 2016
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Office Building 2 (DSHS Headquarters)
1115 Washington
Olympia, WA 98504

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You must submit written comments by 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date, to the following address or by email the DSHS Rules Coordinator at:
DSHS Rules Coordinator /RPAU
PO Box 45850
Olympia WA, 98504-5850
Email: DSHSRPAURulesCoordinator@dshs.wa.gov

Public parking is available at 11th and Jefferson streets. Directions to Office Building 2 can be found at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/rpau/RPAU-OB-2directions.html>.

If you have any questions about the proposed rules, please contact Penny Rarick, CCRSS Policy Program manager, at 360-725-3210 or at penny.rarick@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



Candace Goehring, Director
Residential Care Services

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