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**AL TSA: CCRSS #2020-053**  
**CR-103E FILED TO EXTEND EMERGENCY RULES AMENDING CERTIFIED COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS REQUIREMENTS AND CR-101 FILED TO CONSIDER PERMANENTLY AMENDING THE RULES FOR CERTIFICATION EVALUATIONS**

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Provider

Residential Care Services (RCS) filed an emergency rule (WSR 20-17-012) effective August 6, 2020 related to certification evaluations. The rule was amended in response to the significant threat of COVID-19. The rule expired on December 4, 2020.

On December 3, 2020, RCS filed a CR-103E (WSR 21-01-010) to extend the amended rule. The extension was effective December 4, 2020 and the rule expires on April 2, 2021.

The current rule, WAC 388-101-3130, states the department may conduct an on-site certification evaluation for each service provider at any time, but at least once every two years. The amendment eliminates the maximum two-year timeframe, lengthening the amount of time allowed to complete certification evaluations.

Additionally, RCS filed a CR-101 (WSR 20-24-092) on November 25, 2020 to begin permanent rule making on WAC 388-101-3130 and other related rules. The CR-101 document is available on AL TSA's Information for Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Providers webpage, under "CCRSS Rule Filings."

Thank you for your continued commitment to client health and safety. If you have any questions, including how to participate in the rule making process, please contact Antonietta Lettieri-Parkin, Policy Program Manager, at (509) 363-3549 or [Antonietta.Lettieri-Parkin@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:Antonietta.Lettieri-Parkin@dshs.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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