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ALTSA: CCRSS #2024-014
EMERGENCY RULES
(CR-103E) AMENDING WAC 388-101D-0295 MEDICATION SERVICES-GENERAL AND WAC
388-101D-0330 STORAGE OF MEDICATIONS

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Provider:

Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) filed emergency rules under WSR 24-05-004 amending sections of WAC 388-101D-0295 Medication Services-General and WAC 388-101D-0295 Storage of medication. (DDA) is enacting these amendments on an emergency to ensure that when a client requires a medication for which there is a prescription but no pharmacist-prepared label, the medication is labeled in a way that promotes safety.

The emergency rule:
- Is effective February 8, 2024.
- Amends WAC 388-101D-0295 to clarify that before providing medication assistance or medication administration to a client the service provider must have a legible pharmacist-prepared label or manufacturer's label with the name of the client for whom the medication is prescribed added to the container.
- Amends WAC 388-101D-0330 to clarify that the service provider must store medications in the original medication container with a pharmacist-prepared label, a manufacturer's label in accordance with WAC 388-101D-0295, or in a medication organizer clearly labeled with each medication, medication dose and frequency to be given, and route each medication is to be administered.
- **NOTE: If a client is using a medication organizer, requirements in WAC 388-101D-0335 must still be adhered to; this WAC remains unchanged.**
- Amends other parts of the section for clarity and readability.
- Other sections are unchanged.

If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Hoeman, Policy Program Manager, at (360) 725-3210 or Debbie.Hoeman@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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