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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
*Aging and Long-Term Support Administration*  
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**AL TSA: ESF #2015-003**

**CR-103-E EMERGENCY FILING 388-107 WAC, ENHANCED SERVICES FACILITIES**

Dear Enhanced Services Facilities Interested Party and/or Stakeholder:

In May 2015, the department informed you that in order to qualify for federal matching funds, the Enhanced Services Facilities (ESF) program must conform to federal CMS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) requirements. These federal requirements became effective after the initial ESF rules were adopted, necessitating a change to the rules in order to ensure that payments for ESF services will qualify for federal funding.

The department revised the licensing rules using the Emergency rule-making process due to the time sensitive nature of changes. The emergency rules became effective May 1, 2015 but were due to expire in August 2015; therefore a subsequent CR-103 E (Emergency Rule) was filed and became effective on August 28, 2015.

The department will next file a Proposed Rule Making notice, CR-102, which gives stakeholders more detailed information about the proposed rules. During this time external and internal stakeholders will have the opportunity to review and comment either in writing or at a public hearing.

The CR103-E is available on the AL TSA website under the heading, "ESF Rule Filings," at: <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/enhanced-services-facilities>.

If you have questions about the proposed rules, please contact Penny Rarick, ESF Program Manager, at (360) 725-3210.

Sincerely,

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Residential Care Services

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