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CR 103P FILED TO AMEND TRAINING AND HOME CARE AIDE CERTIFICATION
REQUIREMENTS IN CHAPTER 388-107 WAC

Dear Administrator:

This message is to announce the filing of a CR-103P (Permanent Rule) amending chapter 388-107 WAC Licensing Requirements for Enhanced Services Facilities. During the COVID 19 public health emergency, Governor Proclamation 20-10 suspended WAC 388-107-0630 to allow enhanced services facilities to hire home care aides who could not meet training deadline requirements. The department has since adopted rules in chapter 388-112A WAC Residential Long-Term Care Services Training to address the backlog of home care aides needing training and/or testing for certification caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The training rules allow additional time for home care aides to be trained and certified. This amendment to WAC 388-107-0630 aligns enhanced services facilities requirements with the newly adopted requirements in chapter 388-112A WAC and the requirements in chapter 246-980 WAC.

The department filed the CR-103P ([WSR 23-03-009](#)) on January 6, 2023. The rule change will take effect on February 6, 2023.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have questions, please contact Sondra Haas, ESF Policy Program Manager, Sondra.Haas@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Amy Abbott, Director
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