



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
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ADSA: NH #2016-024
CR-103E FILED TO EXTEND EMERGENCY RULES ON CHAPTER 388-97 WAC

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

In July 2015 a CR 101 was filed and a letter was sent notifying Nursing Homes of proposed revisions to 388-97 WAC to assure compliance with the legislation of House Bill 1274 and Substitute Senate Bill 5600.

As a result of ongoing stakeholder work in rule development, a CR-103E was filed in December 2015, and a second CR-103E was filed in April, 2016 establishing emergency rules related to House Bill 1274, Substitute House Bill 2678, and Senate Bill 5600.

The current emergency rules are set to expire. Due to continued stakeholder work and legislative proposals, an extension of the emergency rules has been filed and will become effective on August 24, 2016.

The CR-103E document can be found on the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA) internet website at <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-nursing-home-professionals> under "NH Rule Filings".

Please check the ALTSA website to review the emergency rule language. For rule making questions, please contact Amy Abbott, Policy Unit Manager, (360) 725-2327.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director
Residential Care Services

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