



**STATE OF WASHINGTON**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES**  
*Aging and Long-Term Support Administration*  
*PO Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504-5600*

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**ALTSA: NH #2017-031**  
**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 388-97 WAC**

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator and Interested Parties:

The department is considering amending chapter 388-97 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). These changes are needed to reflect the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) related to electronic transmittal of the Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI).

Currently CFR allows the facility 14 days to electronically transmit the RAI, however, WAC 388-76-1000 limits this time to 10 days.

The CR-101 document can be found on the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA) internet website at <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-nursing-home-professionals> under "NH Rule Filings":

Please check the ALTSA website often as we will be posting draft language for review and comment before filing the proposed rule with the CR-102.

For rule making questions, please contact Amy Abbott, Policy, Training and QA Office Chief, (360) 725-2489.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Candace Goehring".

Candace Goehring, Director  
Residential Care Services

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