



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Aging and Long-Term Support Administration

Subject of possible rule making: The department is planning to reconcile the differences in the training section language between WAC 388-112A and WAC 388-71, update language related to new technologies, and update language related to inclusivity. The department may amend other related rules as required.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 74.08.090, RCW 74.39A.009, RCW 74.39A.070, RCW 70.128.230

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Training requirements for all long-term care workers are regulated by the same policies. Long-term care workers who work in home environments are regulated under WAC 388-71, while workers in assisted living facilities, enhanced services facilities, and adult family homes are regulated under 388-112A. As the result of many years of amendments and additions to rules that were not done in concert between the two chapters, the language between WAC 388-71 and WAC 388-112A have diverged resulting in differences. These differences cause unnecessary confusion. The modifications contained in this proposal will not change policy or practice, but will reconcile the differences, update language, and create more current and uniform policies for long-term care workers.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study

Other (describe) DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should

contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rulemaking. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

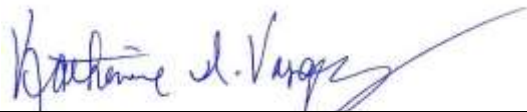
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