



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (August 2017)**  
**(Implements RCW 34.05.310)**  
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DATE: November 21, 2017

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WSR 17-23-149

**Agency:** Health Care Authority

**Subject of possible rule making:** WAC 182-531-1500 Sleep studies, and other related rules as appropriate

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The agency is amending this rule to revise the requirements for a sleep center to become an agency-approved center of excellence (COE). The agency plans to reduce the number of documents that must be submitted for each sleep center. The agency will instead use the sleep center's certification by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM), which requires the same documentation as listed in the current rule. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional changes that are required in order to improve clarity or update policy.

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

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

Negotiated rule making

Pilot rule making

Agency study

Other (describe) The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person

identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rulemaking (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

**Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:**

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