



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (August 2017)**  
**(Implements RCW 34.05.310)**  
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DATE: April 11, 2018

TIME: 9:00 AM

WSR 18-09-021

**Agency:** Health Care Authority

**Subject of possible rule making:** Chapter 182-547 WAC, Hearing aids; other related rules, as appropriate.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160; E2SSB 5179, 65<sup>th</sup> Legislature, 2018 Regular Session

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The agency is amending Chapter 182-547 WAC, Hearing aids, to implement E2SSB 5179 which restores coverage of hearing instruments for adults. 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:** NA

**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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Additional comments:

**Date:** April 11, 2018

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