



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (August 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
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WSR 18-09-109

Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 182-550-7500 – OPPS Rate, Other related rules, as appropriate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, ESSB 6032, Sec. 213 (1)(fff), Supplemental Operating Budget, 65th Legislature, 2018 Regular Session]

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The agency is amending WAC 182-550-7500 to comply with ESSB 6032, Sec. 213 (1)(fff) that provides funding for a 50% rate increase of outpatient services for sole community hospitals for SFY 2019. The new operating budget becomes effective on July 1, 2018. 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:

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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