



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

## CR-101 (August 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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**Agency:** Health Care Authority

**Subject of possible rule making:** New section within Chapter 182-550 WAC – Hospital Services; other related rules as appropriate.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 41.05.021, RCW 41.05.160, and Chapter 74.60 RCW

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** The agency intends to establish rules for the Hospital Safety Net Assessment Program. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional related 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:** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

**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 rule writer

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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