PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (August 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do NOT use for expedited rule making

Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: New Chapter 182-521, Public health emergency rules with new section under WAC 182-521-0100, Disregarded income; 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: In response to the current public health emergency surrounding the outbreak of the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19), along with the Governor of Washington’s emergency proclamations related to COVID-19, HCA is creating these new rules to identify income that HCA does not count when determining Apple Health eligibility. 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: 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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