## PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

### Agency: Health Care Authority
### Subject of possible rule making: New chapter 182-115 Peer services

### 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 authority intends to adopt rules to define the process of becoming a behavioral health certified peer counselor. During the course of this review, the authority 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 (CMS)

### Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):
- [x] Other (describe) The authority 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 authority 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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