



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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WSR 23-22-075

Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 182-530-7050, Reimbursement – Dispensing fee; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 41.05.021, RCW 41.05.160

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The agency is revising this rule in accordance with the Settlement Agreement in the case of *National Association of Chain Drug Stores, et al., v. Washington State Health Care Authority, et al.* (Case No. 51489-3-II) and for the purpose of ensuring the continuation of federal Medicaid funding. The agency also filed an emergency rulemaking order under WSR 23-22-074, while the permanent rulemaking process is being completed. During the course of this review, HCA 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: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

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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