



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

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Agency: Health Care Authority

Subject of possible rule making: 182-545-200, Outpatient rehabilitation (occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech therapy); other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 41.05.021; RCW 41.05.160; and SB 5228, Section 2, Chapter 113, Laws of 2023

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: In response to SB 5228, Section 2, Chapter 113, Laws of 2023, HCA is amending WAC 182-545-200 to state that HCA pays for outpatient rehabilitation services provided to eligible clients when provided by licensed or certified behavioral health agencies as part of a mental health or substance use disorder treatment program. HCA is also amending this rule to add separate limits for clients needing occupational therapy to treat behavioral health conditions. 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: 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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