



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: Chapter 182-533 WAC and WAC 182-502-0002; 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 State Supplemental Operating budget (section 211 (34), Chapter 376, Laws of 2024, (ESSB 5950)), included funding for the Health Care Authority (HCA) to implement a birth doula benefit for Apple Health (Medicaid) clients. HCA is developing rules in Chapter 182-533 WAC and amending WAC 182-502-0002 to accomplish this. 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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Additional comments:

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