



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Health Care Authority, Washington Apple Health

**Subject of possible rule making:**

WAC 182-526-0070 Filing documents  
WAC 182-526-0155 Appellant's representation in the hearing  
WAC 182-526-0200 Enrollee appeals of a managed care organization action

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:**

RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, chapter 34.05 RCW, RCW 74.09.741

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** (1) In WAC 182-526-0155, the agency inadvertently left out language that had been in the rule to comply with federal HIPAA laws that anyone requesting confidential information needs to sign an authorization for release of information; (2) in WAC 182-526-0200, the agency needed to delete subsection (8) through (10) as those subsections are now going in WAC 182-538-0110 and if left in this current rule, would conflict; and (3) in WAC 182-526-0070, the agency inadvertently wrote the rule such that it would require the actual judge to confirm documents were filed rather than support staff, creating a burden. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional 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.

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

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