

Agency: Health Care Authority, Washington Apple Health

Subject of possible rule making:

WAC 182-531-0050 Physician-related services definitions WAC 182-531-0550 Experimental and investigational services Other rules as appropriate.

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 agency is revising WAC 182-531-0050, Physician-related services definitions, to clarify definitions of "experimental" and "investigational" and to align the definition of "peer-reviewed medical literature" with other agency publications. WAC 182-531-0550, Experimental and investigational services, is being updated to correct cross-references and clarify information regarding experimental and investigational services. 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: NA

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

	Negotiated rule making
	Pilot rule making
	Agency study
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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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