



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 182-517-0100 Federal medicare savings programs;
Other applicable 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 amending this rule to add an alternative method of counting income to determine eligibility for the Medicare Savings Programs (MSP). For households with other non-applying dependents who are not eligible using the SSI-related budgeting methodology, the agency will use the alternative method based on household size and compare the household to the Federal Poverty Level that corresponds with the MSP. 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:

The Department of Social and Health Services

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

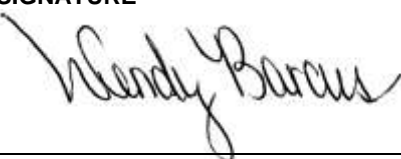
The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rulemaking (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests 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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