

SB 6498 - DIGEST

Creates the collaborative for the advancement of community health workers to enhance the understanding and use of community health workers.

Requires the collaborative to: (1) Be hosted and lead by the University of Washington and be convened by July 1, 2018;

(2) Design training and qualification requirements for community health workers; and

(3) Review and identify best practices from existing state and counties' certification and training programs.

Requires the department of health to conduct a sunrise review under chapter 18.120 RCW to evaluate the creation of a community health worker credential and the scope of practice of the profession.