

WSR 24-03-161  
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY  
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-531A-0900 Applied behavior analysis (ABA)—Covered services; other related 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 health care authority (HCA) is amending this rule to specify that HCA's applied behavior analysis program does not pay for services provided by a client's parent, guardian, caregiver, or other support person. During this review, HCA may identify additional related changes that are required to improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Washington state department of health.

Process for Developing New Rule: HCA 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, HCA will send a notice of proposed rule making (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 Brian Jensen, Rule-Making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-0815, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication[s] relay service (TRS) 711, email [brian.jensen@hca.wa.gov](mailto:brian.jensen@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Alyssa Jennings, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45502, Olympia, WA 98504-5502, phone 360-725-1194, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [alyssa.jennings@hca.wa.gov](mailto:alyssa.jennings@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

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