

WSR 21-13-016
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
(Economic Services Administration)
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department is planning to amend WAC 388-432-0005 Can I get help from DSHS for a family emergency without receiving monthly cash assistance?, and other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.660, 74.08.090, and 74.08A.230.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: Planned amendments will update diversion cash assistance (DCA) program rules to align with SHB 2441 (chapter 338, Laws of 2020) changes scheduled to be implemented on July 1, 2021. These changes will allow families whose temporary assistance for needy families closed in sanction between July 2010 and July 2021 to potentially qualify for DCA.

Process for Developing New Rule: The department of social and health services (DSHS) welcomes the public to take part in developing rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the office of the code reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to 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 Sarah Garcia, P.O. Box 45470, Olympia, WA 98504-5470, phone 360-522-2214, fax 360-725-4905, email Sarah.Garcia@dshs.wa.gov.

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