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WSR 22-19-087 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-531A-1200 Applied behavior analysis (ABA) — Services provided via telemedicine; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160; ESSB 1196, 67th legislature, 2021 regular session.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The agency is revising this section to remove the information regarding telemedicine and add a cross reference to new rules that the agency is developing for audio-only telemedicine, in alignment with ESSB 1196. The new audio-only rules will reside in new WAC 182-501-0300 and are being developed under a different rule making filed under WSR 21-15-065. The agency is removing this information from various chapters in Title 182 WAC and creating this one-stop shop rule for audio-only telemedicine. During the course of this review, the health care authority may identify additional related changes that are required in order to improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160; ESSB 1196, 67th legislature, 2021 regular session.

Process for Developing New Rule: 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 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 Valerie Freudenstein, Rule-Making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1344, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication[s] relay service (TRS) 711, email Valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/ rulemaking; or Melissa Kunder, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45502, Olympia WA 98504-5502, phone 360-725-5297, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email Melissa.Kunder@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/ rulemaking.

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