WSR 23-10-019 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY [Filed April 25, 2023, 1:37 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-500-0030 Definitions—E, Administration of medical programs—Providers, specifically,

182-502-0002 Eligible provider types, 182-502-0016 Continuing requirements, 182-502-0020 Health care record requirements, 182-502-0100 General conditions of payment, Alternatives to hospital services; chapter 182-551 WAC, Subchapter II—Home health services, managed care; chapter 182-538 WAC; and other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160; P.L. 114-255.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The agency is reviewing these rules and may amend them as needed to comply with the CURES Act of 2016; P.L. 114-255, which implements the electronic visit verification requirement for home health care service claims to be paid. In addition, the health care authority (HCA) is amending chapter 182-551 WAC to update the rules to be consistent with the other rules for administration of the medicaid program. During the course of this review, HCA 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: The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

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 Greg Sandoz, Program Questions, 626 8th Avenue S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-725-2065, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email greg.sandoz@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/ rulemaking.

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