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## WSR 23-13-022 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-535-1088 Dental-related services—Covered—Periodontic services; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: ESSB 5187 conference budget, section 211(60); 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 increase the allowable number of periodontal treatments to up to four per 12-month period for apple health eligible clients, ages 21 and over, with a current diagnosis of diabetes. Effective January 1, 2024, periodontal maintenance is allowed once every three months when criteria is met. 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 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

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 Valerie Freudenstein, Rule-Making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, 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 Pixie Needham, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45506, Olympia, WA 98504-5506, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email pixie.needham@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

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