WSR 23-16-100 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Dental Quality Assurance Commission) [Filed July 31, 2023, 2:12 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The dental quality assurance commission (commission) is considering amending rules about granting licenses to dental school faculty members. The commission is considering removing specific references in WAC 246-817-150 about granting licenses to University of Washington faculty and replacing this with a reference to a faculty of any institution of higher education in Washington state accredited by the commission on dental accreditation (CODA).

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.32.002, 18.32.0365; and SB 5113 (chapter 89, Laws of 2023).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: In 2023, the Washington state legislature passed SB 5113 amending RCW 18.32.195 to include any institution of higher education in Washington state accredited by CODA for faculty licensure.

On April 28, 2023, the commission authorized rule making to align WAC 246-817-150 with the recent statutory changes.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: None.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making. Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Amber Freeberg, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, phone 360-236-4893, fax 360-236-2901, TTY 711, email amber.freeberg@doh.wa.gov, website www.doh.wa.gov.

Additional comments: Interested parties can participate in the drafting of the proposed rules. The department will be conducting rules workshops with interested parties and subject matter experts. The department will use existing GovDelivery lists and other known contact information to inform interested parties of opportunities to provide input on proposed rule language. To find out more information about our rule making, visit www.doh.wa.gov. To subscribe to GovDelivery, please visit www.doh.wa.gov, and select the "Subscribe" button at the bottom of the page. After signing in, please click open the box labeled "Health Systems Quality Assurance." Next, click open the box labeled "Health Professions," and then click on "Dental List." You may also check the box next to one or more of the other professions listed to receive information related to that specific profession.

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