WSR 24-07-034 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY [Filed March 13, 2024, 6:39 a.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-531-2030 Enhanced rates for pediatric care services and administration of vaccines; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: 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 expanding the age limit for the enhancement rate for pediatric care services and the administration of vaccines provided to clients from age 18 and younger to age 20 and younger. 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: None.

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 Jason Crabbe, Rule-Making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-9563, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication[s] relay service (TRS) 711, email jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Wendy Steffens, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45500, Olympia, WA 98504-5500, phone 360-725-5145, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email wendy.steffens@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

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