## WSR 24-24-053 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES (Aging and Long-Term Support Administration) [Filed November 26, 2024, 2:41 p.m.]

Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS) is considering amendments to WAC 388-71-1031 What is the curriculum approval process for orientation, safety, the 70-hour basic training population specific training, the 30-hour basic training, the seven-hour parent provider training, and continuing education? and 388-112A-1010 What is the curriculum approval process for orientation, safety training, basic training, population specific training, specialty training, residential care administrator training, and continuing education? These rules are related to curriculum approval. Other necessary changes and corrections related to grammar, numerical representation, consistency, and inclusive language may also be included. DSHS may amend other related rules as required.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.88B.010, 18.88B.021, 18.88B.041, 74.08.090, 74.39A.009, 74.39A.070, 74.39A.074, 74.39A.076, and 74.39A.341.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The purpose of these changes is to increase the quality of curriculum submissions, efficiency of process, and the likelihood of approval by clarifying standards and expectations. DSHS has identified growing concerns around the quality of curricula being submitted for department approval, including in-person and online basic training courses.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making. DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal within the office of the code reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to 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 Dave Chappell, Program Manager, P.O. Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504-5600, phone 360-725-2561, email david.chappell@dshs.wa.gov.

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