

WSR 21-16-030
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
(Board of Naturopathy)
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Subject of Possible Rule Making: New chapter 246-836A WAC, Colon hydrotherapists; and chapter 246-836 WAC (new sections), Naturopathic physicians. The board of naturopathy (board) is considering establishing a new chapter and section of rule to implement SB 5124 which establishes the colon hydrotherapist profession. The board is required to adopt rules to specify the education, training, affiliation relationship, and certification requirements.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 18.36A.160; and SB 5124 (chapter 179, Laws of 2021).

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: SB 5124 (chapter 179, Laws of 2021) creates a new certified profession, colon hydrotherapist. The new law requires the board to create rules for the new profession, which are needed to establish minimum education, examination, affiliation relationship, and certification requirements. Existing rules may also be updated to support requirements for this new profession. The fees will be established in a separate rule project under the secretary's authority.

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 Susan Gragg, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, phone 360-236-4941, fax 360-236-2901, TTY 711, email susan.gragg@doh.wa.gov, website www.doh.wa.gov, <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new>; and Davis Hylkema, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, phone 360-236-4366, fax 360-236-2901, email davis.hylkema@doh.wa.gov, website www.doh.wa.gov, <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new>.

Additional comments: The board will use the existing GovDelivery list to inform stakeholders of opportunities to provide input on proposed rule language. Interested parties can join the GovDelivery list to get information on participating in the process by subscribing at <https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WADOH/subscriber/new>.

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