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AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

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Rules Agenda

This report details current and anticipated rule-making activities for the department of health (DOH) and the state board of health (SBOH). If you have any questions regarding this report or DOH rule-making activities, please contact Tami Thompson at 360-628-0096. If you have any questions regarding SBOH rule-making activities, please contact Michelle Davis at 360-236-4105.

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Rule Making

Authority	RCW or Session Law	WAC and Rule Title	CR-101 WSR #	CR-102 WSR#	CR-103 WSR#	CR-105 WSR#	Program Contact Name	Program Contact Phone
SBOH	RCW 43.20.050	Chapter 246-101 WAC, Notifiable conditions. SBOH (board) is considering amending this chapter to establish and clarify requirements for novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), reporting by health care providers, health care facilities, laboratories, and local health jurisdictions consistent with the board's emergency rule, WAC 246-101-017, and Public Law 116-136, § 18115(a), the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The board may also consider revisions to clarify the instances in which health care providers and health care facilities must report a notifiable condition to a local health jurisdiction or DOH and other editorial revisions as necessary.	21-15-105				Kaitlyn Donahoe	360-584-6737
SBOH	RCW 69.30.030 and 43.20.050	Chapter 246-282 WAC, Sanitary control of shellfish. SBOH is considering revisions to the chapter to modify harvest control requirements by setting more proactive measures to prevent illnesses and protect public health. The rule revision may also include updating definitions, seed size, and other technical and editorial changes as needed.	22-06-034				Dani Toepelt or Jocelyn Jones	360-890-6054 or 360-236-3020
SBOH	RCW 43.20.050 and chapter 70.83 RCW	Chapter 246-650 WAC, Newborn screening. SBOH is considering adding ornithine transcarbamylase deficiency (OTCD) to the list of mandatory conditions for newborn screening conducted by DOH.	22-05-012				Kaitlyn Donahoe	360-584-6737
SBOH	RCW 43.20.050 and 70.90.120	Chapter 246-260 WAC, Water recreation facilities; and chapter 246-262 WAC, Recreational water contact facilities, chapter review.	17-01-048				Peter Beaton or Kaitlyn Donahoe	360-236-4031 or 360-584-6737
SBOH	RCW 43.20.050	Chapter 246-272A WAC, On-site sewage systems.	18-06-082				Stuart Glasoe or Peter Beaton	360-236-4111 or 360-236-4031

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SBOH	RCW 43.20.050	Chapter 246-272A WAC, On-site sewage systems, drainfield remediation.	06-12-108				Stuart Glasoe or Peter Beaton	360-236-4111 or 360-236-4031
SBOH	RCW 43.20.050	WAC 246-203-130 Keeping of animals.	19-21-018	22-08-003			Stuart Glasoe	360-236-4111

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Board of Massage	RCW 18.10.025 and 18.108.085	WAC 246-830-201, 246-830-485, 246-830-490, 246-830-500 and 246-830-510, massage practitioners.	21-09-038	22-13-179			Megan Maxey	360-236-4945
Board of Naturopathy	RCW 18.36A.160	WAC 246-836-080 Continuing competency program. The board of naturopathy is considering amendments to the continuing education rules for naturopathic physicians in response to rule petitions.	21-21-111				Susan Gragg	360-236-4941
Board of Naturopathy	RCW 18.36A.160	WAC 246-836-210 Authority to use, prescribe, dispense, and order. The board of naturopathy is considering rule making regarding the practice of nonsurgical cosmetic procedures in naturopathic practice, including education and training. The board is considering revising WAC 246-836-210 and creating a new section(s) of rule.	20-24-042				Susan Gragg	360-236-4941
Board of Nursing Home Administrators	RCW 43.70.250, 18.52.025, and 18.130.250	WAC 246-843-990 Nursing home administrator fees and renewal cycle. DOH is opening this rule to establish a retired active status fee if that licensure status is first adopted by the board of nursing home administrators in separate rule making.	22-13-184				Kendra Pitzler	360-236-4723

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Board of Optometry	RCW 18.54.070(2)	WAC 246-851-090 through 246-851-230. The board of optometry will conduct a review of the continuing education (CE) and related rules to consider increasing the number of allowable online credits. The board may also make clarifications to existing rules and updates to citations as needed. Rule making may include creating new rule sections and repealing existing rule sections.	21-24-102				Loralei Walker	360-236-4647
Board of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons	RCW 18.57.005 and 18.130.050	WAC 246-853-650 Safe and effective analgesia and anesthesia administration in office-based settings. The board of osteopathic medicine and surgery is considering rule amendments in response to a rule petition requesting changes to the definition of the term "minimal sedation."	21-11-025				Tracie Drake	360-236-4766
Board of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons	RCW 18.57.005 and 18.130.050	WAC 246-853-XXX Osteopathic physicians and surgeons. The board of osteopathic medicine and surgery is considering creating new rule sections to regulate the provision of anesthesia in a dental setting.	21-09-070	22-09-061			Tracie Drake	360-236-4766
Board of Physical Therapy	RCW 18.74.023	WAC 246-915-120 Foreign educated applicants. The board of physical therapy (board) is considering updating internet-based Test of English as a Foreign Language scoring requirements to bring them closer in alignment with the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy guidelines. The board is considering creating a pathway for foreign trained applicants who hold an active license and have been practicing in the United States for a certain period of time. Additionally, there are some minor edits needed to clarify the language of the rule without changing its effect.	Anticipate filing				Allyson McIver	360-236-2878

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Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.25.0171 and 18.130.050	WAC 246-808-010, 246-808-505, 246-808-600, 246-808-605, 246-808-610, 246-808-615, 246-808-620, 246-808-625, 246-808-630, 246-808-650, 246-808-655, 246-808-660, 246-808-670, 246-808-680, 246-808-685, 246-808-690, 246-808-695, 246-808-720, and 246-808-810. The chiropractic quality assurance commission is considering revising these rules regarding definitions, procedures, instrumentation, publicity, advertising, printed materials, transactions, costs, records, duties, mandatory reporting, associations, societies, insurance and professional liability carriers, courts, state and federal agencies, and conflict of interest.	16-23-120				Bob Nicoloff	360-236-4924
Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.25.0171 and 18.130.050	WAC 246-808-105, 246-808-115, 246-808-130, 246-808-133, 246-808-135, 246-808-140, 246-808-180, 246-808-181, 246-808-190, 246-808-201, 246-808-215, 246-808-510, and 246-808-535, regarding Licensure—Application and eligibility requirements. The chiropractic quality assurance commission is considering revising the rules and proposing to establish new temporary practice rules for military status or military-related status.	16-21-080				Bob Nicoloff	360-236-4924
Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.25.0171 and 18.130.050	WAC 246-808-XXX Independent chiropractic examinations (ICE). The chiropractic quality assurance commission is considering creating rules to set standards for independent chiropractic physical examinations and patient records reviews.	15-21-047				Bob Nicoloff	360-236-4924

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Dental Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.32.002, 18.32.0365, and 18.32.640	WAC 246-817-701 through 246-817-790, administration of anesthetic agents for dental procedures. The dental quality assurance commission is considering amendments to update general requirements. In addition to general updates, the commission is also considering amendments to address 24-hour on-call availability after a complex dental procedure, on-site inspections for all dentists holding sedation permits, and creation of a pediatric sedation endorsement.	17-17-089				Jennifer Santiago	360-236-4893
DOH	E2SHB 1477 (chapter 302, Laws of 2021)	Title 246 WAC. Crisis call center crisis hubs. DOH is considering creating a new chapter of rules to implement E2SHB 1477 (chapter 302, Laws of 2021). The rules will establish standards for designation of crisis call centers as crisis hubs within the 988 national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system.	22-15-084				Ashley Noble or Michelle Izumizaki	360-236-2601
DOH	Chapter 220, Laws of 2017	Title 246 WAC. Establishing a new chapter relating to rapid health information network data reporting.	17-21-075				Amanda Morse	206-437-2045

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DOH	RCW 34.05.220, 34.05.240, 42.56.070, and 43.70.040	Chapter 246-08 WAC, Practice and procedure. Rules regarding DOH adjudicative proceedings for declaratory orders, public record requests, agency indexes, and general agency administrative processes. The department is reviewing existing rules within the chapter to identify amendments that may be necessary as a result of changes in statutes, changes in internal operations, opportunities to streamline processes to reduce regulatory burden without compromising public health and safety, and to provide clear, concise and reasonable rules. This rule making excludes WAC 246-08-390 Acquisition, security, disclosure and destruction of health information, and 246-08-400 How much can a health care provider charge for searching and duplicating health care records?	19-16-114				Tami Thompson	360-628-0096
DOH	RCW 43.70.280	WAC 246-12-XXX Closure of abandoned incomplete health care credential applications.	17-10-045				Ataila Robbins	360-236-2978
DOH	RCW 43.70.280	Chapter 246-12 WAC, Administrative procedures and requirements for credentialed health care providers.	17-10-007				Ataila Robbins	360-236-2978
DOH	RCW 43.70.613 and E2SB [ESSB] 5229 (chapter 276, Laws of 2021)	Chapter 246-12 WAC, Administrative procedures and requirements for credentialed health care providers. DOH (department) is considering creating model rules establishing minimum standards for health equity continuing education (CE) programs for health professions licensed under Title 18 RCW to implement ESSB 5229 (chapter 276, Laws of 2021). The department is also considering adopting the health equity CE requirements for all professions under the secretary's authority.	21-20-011				Ashley Bell	360-236-2961

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DOH	RCW 69.51A.290 and 69.51A.230	Chapter 246-71 WAC, Medical marijuana authorization database; and chapter 246-72 WAC, Medical marijuana consultant certificate. The department is replacing the term marijuana with cannabis in response to passage of 2SHB 1210 (chapter 16, Laws of 2022), as well as correcting terms such as "gender," citations, and spellings throughout both chapters.		Anticipate Filing			Shannon Angell	360-236-2820
DOH	2SSB 5695; chapter 70A.388 RCW	Chapter 246-220 WAC, Radiation protection—General provisions; chapter 246-221 WAC, Radiation protection standards; chapter 246-222 WAC, Radiation protection—Worker rights; chapter 246-224 WAC, Radiation protection—Radiation machine assembly and registration; chapter 246-225 WAC, Radiation protection—X-rays in the healing arts; and chapter 246-227 WAC, Radiation protection—Industrial X-ray. The department will consider amending existing rules and may adopt a new chapter to establish radiation safety standards for the use of body scanners capable of detecting contraband contained under clothing and within body cavities, meeting applicable federal and state radiation and safety standards.	Anticipate Filing				Ashlie Laydon and Richard Montemarano	360-236-3238
DOH	RCW 70A.388.040 and 70A.388.110	Updating chapters 246-231, 246-236, 246-237, 246-243, and 246-244 WAC to be consistent with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission's rules.					Raj Maharjan	360-522-0613
DOH	RCW 70A.388.040 and 70A.388.110	Chapter 246-232 WAC, Radioactive material—Licensing applicability; chapter 246-235 WAC, Radioactive materials—Specific licenses; and chapter 246-240 WAC, Radiation protection—Medical use of radioactive material.		22-15-036			Nina Helpling	360-236-3065

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DOH	RCW 90.46.290	Chapter 246-275 WAC. Establishing a new chapter for on-site nonpotable water systems.	21-17-04				Jocelyn Jones	360-236-3020
DOH	RCW 43.70.250 and 69.30.050	WAC 246-282-990(4) Sanitary control of shellfish—Fees, annual paralytic shellfish poisoning testing fee redistribution.					Peter Beaton	360-236-4031
DOH	RCW 70A.120.050	WAC 246-292-010 Definitions, abbreviations, and acronyms, and 246-292-085 Grandparented certification.		22-12-068			Nina Helping	360-236-3065
DOH	RCW 70.38.115, 70.38.135, and 43.70.040	Chapter 246-310 WAC, Certificate of need. Amending, creating, and repealing rules in order to clarify, streamline, and modernize language including need methodologies.	20-02-008				Eric Hernandez	360-236-2956
DOH	2SHB 1148 (chapter 61, Laws of 2021)	Chapter 246-320 WAC, Hospital licensing regulations. The department is considering updating rules about enforcing licensing requirements for acute care hospitals, including creating a severity matrix for fines related to hospital enforcement.	21-21-008				Julie Tomaro	360-236-2937
DOH	RCW 70.41.030	Chapter 246-320 WAC, Hospital licensing regulations (construction standards only).	18-17-045				Susan Upton and John Williams	360-236-2950
DOH	RCW 18.46.060	Chapter 246-329 WAC, Childbirth centers. The department is considering updates to sections of this chapter that require clarification, consolidation, and modernization.	22-06-058				John Hilger	360-236-2929

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DOH	RCW 70.127.120	WAC 246-335-510, 246-335-545, 246-335-610, and 246-335-645, in-home services agencies. The department will consider: (1) Removing the requirement that supervision of aide services must be "during an on-site visit," (2) adding that a supervisory visit "may be conducted on-site or via telemedicine," (3) amending the definition of "telemedicine" to align with current practice, and (4) other related changes as appropriate. These permanent rules will replace emergency rules on the same subject.	21-20-084				John Hilger	360-236-2929
DOH	RCW 71.12.670	WAC 246-337-040 Construction review services requirements. The department is considering updating residential treatment facility rules to reflect upcoming changes to the Washington state building code.	20-07-124				John Hilger	360-236-2929
DOH	RCW 71.24.037	Chapter 246-341 WAC, Behavioral health agency licensing and certification. Phase two of a multi-phase project to modernize licensing and certification requirements.	21-14-010				Julie Tomaro	360-236-2937
DOH	RCW 71.24.037, 71.05.560, and 71.34.380	WAC 246-341-0515 Personnel—Agency staff requirements. The department is considering amending WAC 246-341-0515 and possible other sections in response to a rule petition requesting the addition of board-certified psychiatric pharmacists in the definition of mental health professional.	Anticipate filing				Julie Tomaro	360-236-2937
DOH	RCW 71.24.037, 71.05.560, 71.34.380, 71.12.670, and 70.41.030	Chapter 246-341 WAC, Behavioral health agency licensing and certification; chapter 246-337 WAC, Residential treatment facility; chapter 246-320 WAC, Hospital licensing regulations. Phase three of a multi-phase project to modernize licensing and certification requirements.	Anticipate filing				Julie Tomaro	360-236-2937

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DOH	Chapter 70.114A and 43.70 RCW	Chapter 246-358 WAC, Temporary worker housing. The purpose is to consider including increased protections for housing occupants from communicable diseases such as COVID-19.	20-19-047				Juan Gamez	360-236-3074
DOH	E2SHB 1272	WAC 246-454-010, 246-454-020, 246-454-090, and 246-454-110, Hospitals—System of accounting, financial reporting, budgeting, cost allocation.	21-23-082				Carrie Baranowski	360-236-4210
DOH	RCW 70.225.090 (2)(b)	WAC 246-470-XXX adding a new section relating to the prescription monitoring program (PMP). The department is proposing a new section in chapter 246-470 WAC to establish a waiver process and criteria for facilities, entities, offices, or provider groups with 10 or more prescribers to apply for an exemption from PMP and electronic health record integration required by SSB 5380.	20-03-038				Carly Bartz-Overman	360-236-3044
DOH	RCW 69.48.180, 69.48.120, 69.48.050; 2SHB 1161 (chapter 155, Laws of 2021)	WAC 246-480-010, 246-480-070, 246-480-080, and 246-480-990 within chapter 246-480 WAC, Drug take-back program.	22-01-170				Mary Kellington	360-236-2988
DOH	E2SSB 5702 (chapter 236, Laws of 2022)	Chapter 246-720 WAC, Donor human milk bank standards. The department is considering adopting new standards for ensuring human milk bank safety.	22-15-044				Michelle Izumizaki or Ashley Noble	360-236-2601 or 360-236-3776
DOH	RCW 43.70.780	Chapter 246-770 WAC, Fruit and vegetable incentives. The department is considering creating a new chapter to implement a fruit and vegetable incentives program.	21-01-186				Alyssa Auviainen	360-999-8967
DOH	RCW 18.225.040 and 18.225.090	Chapter 246-809 WAC, Licensure for mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, and social workers.	18-11-029				Brandon Williams	360-236-4611

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DOH	HB [E2SHB] 1504	Chapter 246-810 WAC, Counselors. Sections impacted possibly include, but are not limited to, WAC 246-810-010 Definitions and 246-810-015 Agency affiliated counselor: Scope of practice and credentialing requirements. HB [E2SHB] 1504 allowed student interns to apply for the agency affiliated counselor registration and requires the department to define "student intern."	21-21-036				Ted Dale	360-236-2991
DOH	EHB 1311	WAC 246-811-010, 246-811-030, 246-811-035, 246-811-990, and new section(s) in chapter 246-811 WAC, Substance use disorder professionals and substance use disorder professionals trainees. The department is considering updating these sections and possibly adding new sections to implement EHB 1311, recent legislation that adds apprenticeship as a pathway to meeting educational requirements for substance use disorder professional (SUDP) certification.	22-01-174	22-12-085			Ted Dale	360-236-2991
DOH	RCW 18.205.060	WAC 246-811-070, 246-811-076, and 246-811-300 in chapter 246-811 WAC, SUDPs. Rules will: (1) Update national certification requirements, (2) add pharmacists as a profession eligible for the alternative training path, (3) remove osteopathic physician assistant, and (4) remove the AIDS training requirement reference from the probationary licensure rule.	22-03-052				Ted Dale	360-236-2991
DOH	RCW 18.138.070	Chapter 246-822 WAC, Dietitians or nutritionists. The department is considering rule making to amend or repeal several sections of the dietitians and nutritionists chapter. Specific sections focus on mandatory reporting, examinations, and curriculum.	18-10-059				Ted Dale	360-236-2991

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DOH	RCW 18.50.135, 18.50.115; and SSB 5765 (chapter 289, Laws of 2022)	Chapter 246-834 WAC, Midwives. The department is considering creating new rule sections and amending existing sections to implement SSB 5765 (chapter 289, Laws of 2022). This bill creates two levels of limited prescriptive license extension for midwives to prescribe, obtain, and administer medications and therapies for the prevention and treatment of common prenatal and postpartum conditions, family planning methods, medical devices, and implants. The bill also gives the secretary the authority to establish education requirements. The department will also replace gendered terms with gender-neutral terms throughout the chapter. The department intends to open the complete chapter for these potential revisions.	22-15-083				Kathy Weed	360-236-4883
DOH	RCW 18.130.040 and ESHB 1881 (chapter 217, Laws of 2022)	Chapter 246-835 WAC (new), Birth doula. The department is considering establishing a new chapter to implement ESHB 1881 (chapter 217, Laws of 2022). This bill creates a new certified profession, birth doula, under Title 18 RCW. The law requires the department to create rules for the profession, which are needed to establish processes for applicants to meet competency-based requirements for voluntary certification. Additionally, rule making is needed to specify various fees such as initial licensure, renewal, late renewal, duplicate license, and verification.	22-14-105				Kathy Weed	360-236-4883
DOH	RCW 18.130.040, 18.130.050, 18.130.060, 18.130.070, 18.130.175, and 43.70.280	WAC 246-841-520 and 246-841-720, nursing assistants. Technical updates regarding expired licenses and adopting mandatory reporting requirements.	22-08-019				Ross Valore	360-236-4531

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DOH	RCW 18.200.050	WAC 246-850-030 and 246-850-060, orthotics and prosthetics. The department is considering clarifications to examination and course requirements for application and licensure of Washington state orthotists and prosthetists. The department will also update titles, grammar, citations, and other housekeeping items in these two rule sections as needed.	21-20-082	22-12-053			Kim-Boi Shaddock	360-236-4084
DOH	RCW 18.84.040 and 43.70.040	Chapter 246-926 WAC, Radiological technologists. Clarify, streamline, and modernize the rules for cardiovascular invasive specialists, radiologic technologists, radiologist assistants, and X-ray technicians.	19-16-115				Debra Mendoza	360-236-4841
DOH	RCW 18.155.040	Chapter 246-930 WAC, Sex offender treatment providers. Chapter rewrite based on recommendations from newly established SOTP advisory committee.	22-04-057				Brandon Williams	360-236-4611
DOH	RCW 70.168.050, 70.168.60, and 70.168.100	WAC 246-976-580 and 246-976-700, trauma designation process and trauma service standards—Criteria for minimum and maximum distribution of trauma services.	21-03-011				Anthony Bledsoe	360-236-2871
DOH	Chapters 70.168 and 18.73 RCW	Chapter 246-976 WAC (minus WAC 246-976-420, 246-976-580, and 246-976-700 currently open). Updating emergency medical services and trauma care systems. Chapter to align with the national standards and streamline applications.	17-24-013				Catie Holstein	360-236-2830
DOH	SSB 5380, section 19, chapter 314, Laws of 2019	Chapter 246-976 WAC, Emergency medical services (EMS) and trauma care systems. The department is considering updating the sections of this chapter relating to EMS data to respond to legislative requirements required by SSB 5380, section 19, chapter 314, Laws of 2019. New sections may be added as required.	20-17-011				Jim Jansen	360-236-2821

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DOH	HB 1120 (2021 legislative session), RCW 18.88B.021 and 18.88B.060	Chapter 246-980 WAC, Home care aides. The department is considering amending the rules to allow more than one "date of hire" to allow individuals to complete their initial certification and reduce barriers to reentry.	20-07-049				Stacey Saunders	360-236-2813
Examining Board of Psychology	RCW 18.83.050	WAC 246-924-493, expedited rules to remove obsolete requirement for AIDS education, which was repealed under HB 1551 (2020).				22-11-009	Nancy Delgado	360-236-4951
Examining Board of Psychology	RCW 18.83.050	WAC 246-924-046, 246-924-049, 246-924-053, 246-924-056, 246-924-059, 246-924-100, and others as necessary. The board will consider removing the face-to-face requirement for practicums.	22-04-055				Nancy Delgado	360-236-4951
Examining Board of Psychology	RCW 18.83.090	WAC 246-924-230, continuing education requirements. The board of psychology will examine the possibility of reducing the number of hours required for continuing education.					Nancy Delgado	360-236-4951
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.79.110 and 18.79.340	WAC 246-840-010 Nursing technician definitions.				22-12-092	Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	ESSB 5229, effective July 25, 2021	Health equity and continuing competency.					Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.130.064, 18.130.075, 18.79.110, and 18.79.180	WAC 246-840-095 Temporary practice permits.	22-06-057				Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.79.010 and 18.79.160	WAC 246-840-010, 246-840-700, 246-840-910, 246-840-920, 246-840-930, 246-840-940, 246-840-950, and 246-840-960, nurse delegation.					Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.79.010, 18.79.110, and 18.79.250	WAC 246-840-365 Inactive and reactivating an ARNP license and 246-840-367 Expired license.	22-12-090				Shad Bell	360-236-4711

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Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.79.110, 18.79.250, 18.79.260, and 18.79.270	WAC 246-840-300, 246-840-700 through 246-840-710, nursing scope of practice.	19-01-002	22-15-078			Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.88A.060	Chapters 246-841 and 246-842 WAC, nursing assistants chapter review.	21-05-021				Shad Bell	360-236-4711
Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.64.005, 69.41.010 (15), and 69.41.075	New sections in chapter 246-945 WAC pertaining to medication assistance and the settings in which medication assistance occurs. The pharmacy quality assurance commission and department are filing jointly to reinstate rules on medication assistance as permitted under chapter 69.41 RCW.	22-02-015				Joshua Munroe	360-236-2987
Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission	RCW 18.64.205 and 18.64.005	Chapter 246-945 WAC. The pharmacy quality assurance commission (commission) is considering adding a new section to the chapter to allow retired pharmacists to apply for a retired active pharmacist license status and practice pharmacy under certain conditions. The commission may also amend other sections in chapter 246-945 WAC to correspond to the new section.	21-09-063				Joshua Munroe	360-236-2987
Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission	SSB 6526	Creating a new section in chapter 246-945 WAC allowing for the donation and reuse of unexpired drugs as required by SSB 6526.	20-17-143				Lindsay Trant	360-236-2932
Podiatric Medical Board	RCW 18.22.015	WAC 246-922-300 Podiatric continuing education required and 246-922-310 Categories of creditable podiatric continuing education activities. The podiatric medical board is considering amendments to update and clarify the continuing education rules for podiatric physicians.	21-17-050	22-14-103			Susan Gragg	360-236-4941

Authority	RCW or Session Law	WAC and Rule Title	CR-101 WSR #	CR-102 WSR #	CR-103 WSR #	CR-105 WSR #	Program Contact Name	Program Contact Phone
Veterinary Board of Governors	RCW 18.92.030	WAC 246-933-010 Definitions, and 246-933-200 Veterinary client patient relationship, is considering rule making to amend WAC 246-933-200 Veterinary client patient relationship (VCPR), and 246-933-010 Definitions; and potentially adding a new section of rules to establish additional standards for veterinary telemedicine services.					Loralei Walker	360-236-4647
Veterinary Board of Governors	RCW 18.92.030 and 18.92.260	WAC 246-933-501 through 246-933-590, authorizing animal care and control agencies and nonprofit humane societies to provide veterinary services.	20-01-013	22-04-087			Loralei Walker	360-236-4947
Washington Medical Commission	RCW 18.71.017, 18.71.002, and 18.130.050	Chapters 246-919 and 246-918 WAC, considering a new technical assistance program to address practitioner deficiency issues. The commission is considering creating two new rule sections that will establish a clinical assistance program to resolve practice deficiencies that may not rise to the level of a license sanction or revocation through a plan of education, training, and/or supervision for allopathic physicians and physician assistants. The commission will consider amending other related rules as needed.	18-06-007				Amelia Boyd	360-236-2727
Washington Medical Commission	SB 6551	New section in chapter 246-919 WAC, establishing a waiver and experience license for international medical grads as required by SB 6551 from the 2020 session.	20-17-024	22-15-039			Amelia Boyd	360-236-2727
Washington Medical Commission	RCW 18.71.017, 18.130.050, and 18.71A.020	New sections in chapters 246-918 and 246-919 WAC, regarding collaborative drug therapy agreements.	20-16-008				Amelia Boyd	360-236-2727
Washington Medical Commission	RCW 18.71.017 and 18.71A.020	WAC 246-918-801 amending opioid prescribing rules to exempt long-term care facilities.	20-08-070	22-05-083 22-09-071			Amelia Boyd	360-236-2727