

**Chapter 71.24 RCW**  
**COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT**  
(Formerly: Community mental health services act)

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