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WSR 21-03-069 PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-513-1100 Definitions related to long-term services and supports (LTSS), 182-513-1215 Community first choice (CFC)—Eligibility, 182-513-1220 Community first choice (CFC)—Spousal impoverishment protections for noninstitutional Washington Apple health clients, 182-513-1235 Roads to community living (RCL), 182-513-1660 Medicaid alternative care (MAC) and tailored supports for older adults (TSOA)—Spousal impoverishment; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, H.R. 133, Division CC, Title II, Sec. 204 (b) (1) (A) and Sec. 205.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The agency is revising these sections as allowed in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 extension of spousal impoverishment protections and updating the time frame for institutionalization for RCL from ninety days to sixty days. During the course of this review, the agency 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: Department of social and health services.

Process for Developing New Rule: The agency 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, the agency 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 Valerie Freudenstein, Rulemaking Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1344, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email valerie.freudenstein@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Stephen Kozak, Program Questions, phone 360-725-1343, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication[s] relay service 711, email Stephen.kozak@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

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