

WSR 21-04-145

PERMANENT RULES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission)

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Effective Date of Rule: December 1, 2021.

Purpose: WAC 246-945-178 Pharmacist continuing education and 246-945-220 Pharmacy technician—Continuing education. This filing delays the effective date of WAC 246-945-178 and 246-945-220 until December 1, 2021. Rules were adopted on June 1, 2020, as WSR 20-12-072 creating these sections and making them effective March 1, 2021. Due to delays in related rule making, the pharmacy quality assurance commission (commission) is extending the effective date for WAC 246-945-178 and 246-945-220 to December 1, 2021. The effective date of these new continuing education rules is delayed to align with the implementation of the two-year renewal cycle, which was delayed in order to ensure an even distribution of renewals throughout the fiscal biennium.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: [New WAC 246-945-178 and 246-945-220.]

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 18.64.005, 18.64A.020.

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 20-03-126 on January 17, 2020.

Changes Other than Editing from Proposed to Adopted Version: See WSR 20-12-072. No changes are being made to the rule language in this package. The commission is only extending the effective date to align with rule making that will amend the fees and renewal cycle which is currently in progress.

A final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting Lindsay Trant, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, phone 360-236-2932, fax 360-236-2321, TTY 711, email PharmacyRules@doh.wa.gov.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: February 3, 2021.

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