

WSR 21-11-062
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: The department of social and health services (DSHS), aging and long-term support administration, is considering amending WAC 388-97-0920 Participation in resident and family groups, 388-97-1915 Preadmission screening and resident review (PASRR) requirements prior to admission of new residents, 388-97-1975 PASRR requirements after admission of a resident; and other related rules as may be necessary to identify the period of time portions of these rules were suspended or waived during the declared emergency of COVID-19 per Proclamation by the Governor 20-05 and extensions there-to.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 74.42.620 Department rules.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This rule making is necessary to establish a time-frame when the portions of the rules were suspended during the COVID-19 pandemic, and nursing homes were not required to comply with the suspended portions of the rules.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Not applicable.

Process for Developing New Rule: DSHS will use a collaborative rule-making process to develop and receive comments on draft rules. Draft material and information about how to participate in the rule-making process may be obtained from the DSHS representative listed below.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Lisa Herke, Policy Program Manager, P.O. Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98513, phone 509-209-3088, fax 360-725-3224, email lisa.herke@dshs.wa.gov.

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