

**WSR 22-07-103**  
**PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY**  
**HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY**

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-531-0300 Anesthesia providers and covered physician-related services; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160; and 42 C.F.R. § 482.52.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: To align with 42 C.F.R. § 482.52, the health care authority (HCA) is amending WAC 182-531-0300(1) to include a doctor of medicine or osteopathy (other than an anesthesiologist) to the list of providers HCA reimburses for performing covered anesthesia services. During this review, HCA may identify additional related changes that are required to improve clarity or update policy.

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: 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 Jason Crabbe, Rulemaking Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-9563, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunications relay service (TRS) 711, email [jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov](mailto:jason.crabbe@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking); or Karin Inderbitzin, Program Questions, P.O. Box 45506, Olympia, WA 98504-5506, phone 360-725-9805, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email [karin.inderbitzin@hca.wa.gov](mailto:karin.inderbitzin@hca.wa.gov), website [www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking](http://www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking).

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