

WSR 23-05-053

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission)

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Chiropractic credentialing requirements. The chiropractic quality assurance commission (commission) is considering revisions to WAC 246-808-010, 246-808-105 through 246-808-140, 246-808-180 through 246-808-190, 246-808-510, 246-808-535, and 246-808-801 through 246-808-830 to clarify, streamline, and modernize the rule language, and to be consistent with current laws and practice standards.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: Chapter 18.25 RCW; RCW 18.25.0171, 18.25.019, 18.25.020, 18.25.030, 18.25.040, 18.25.070, 18.25.075, 18.25.190, 43.70.280, 18.130.064, 18.130.075, 18.130.050, 18.130.175, and 18.130.070.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The commission is considering consolidating rules by repealing some sections after incorporating language into other existing sections identified under the scope of this rule making; proposing the addition of a new temporary license for military status or military-related status and for applicants applying through the endorsement process; and performing housekeeping throughout the identified rule sections.

The commission is also considering technical amendments to implement SSB 5496 (chapter 43, Laws of 2022). SSB 5496 updated terminology, definitions, and references for chiropractors. SSB 5496 also made clarifications to confidentiality protections in RCW 18.130.070 for health professional monitoring programs.

Except for the revision of individual rule sections, a comprehensive review of chapter 246-808 WAC has not been conducted since 1996. The review of the rules identified in the subject of possible rule making satisfy the requirements under RCW 43.70.041 regarding the formal review of existing rules every five years.

The commission withdrew the existing CR-101 filed on October 18, 2016, and published under WSR 16-21-080 in order to file this updated CR-101 to include additional areas of rule making.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: None.

Process for Developing New Rule: Collaborative rule making.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Betty J. Moe, Regulatory Analyst, P.O. Box 47857, Olympia, WA 98504, phone 360-236-2868, TTY 711, email Betty.Moe@doh.wa.gov, website <https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/chiropractor-chiropractic-x-ray-technician>.

Additional comments: Interested parties can participate in the drafting of the proposed rules. The commission will be conducting rules workshops with interested parties and subject matter experts. The commission will use existing GovDelivery lists and other known contact information to inform interested parties of opportunities to provide input on proposed rule language. To find out more information about our rule making, visit www.doh.wa.gov. To subscribe to GovDelivery, please visit www.doh.wa.gov, select the "Subscribe" button at the

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