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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Naturopathic physician services; WAC 296-23-205 General instructions—Naturopathic physicians, and 296-23-215 Office visits and special services-Naturopathic physi-

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 51.04.020 and 51.04.030.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: This rule making will update billing and coding requirements for naturopathic physicians to support consistency with other payers and other attending provider types.

This rule making intends to amend WAC 296-23-205 General instructions-Naturopathic physicians; and repeal WAC 296-23-215 Office visits and special services—Naturopathic physicians.

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

Process for Developing New Rule: Parties interested in this rule may contact the individual listed below. The public may also participate by commenting after amendments are proposed by providing written comments and/or testimony during the public hearing and comment process. A public hearing will be held after the proposal is filed.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Tina Vorse, Department of Labor and Industries, Insurance Services, Health Services Analysis, P.O. Box 44322, Olympia, WA 98504-4322, phone 360-902-5934, fax 360-902-4249, email Tina.Vorse@Lni.wa.gov, website https://www.Lni.wa.gov/rulemakingactivity.

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