

WSR 24-14-053
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
DEPARTMENT OF
CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Early learning division (ELD) child care subsidy is revising WAC 110-15-0005 Eligibility, 110-15-0045 Approved activities for applicants and consumers not participating in WorkFirst, 110-15-0065 Calculation of income, 110-15-0075 Determining income eligibility and copayment amounts, and other related rules.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: Chapter 34.05 RCW; RCW 43.216.020, 43.216.065; SHB 1945, section 1, chapter 225, Laws of 2024; 2SHB 2124, section 4, chapter 282, Laws of 2024.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The substitute house bills require the ELD to implement changes regarding the eligibility requirement for child care and food assistance. These laws also require the ELD to implement changes that allow individuals utilizing birth to three early childhood education and assistance program and early head start programs as an approved activity for eligibility. These WAC revisions are necessary to comply with the November 1, 2024, legislative requirements.

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: 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 Christin James, Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-688-0479, email christin.james@dcyf.wa.gov, website dcyf.wa.gov [www.dcyf.wa.gov]; or Michael Williams, 1500 Jefferson Street S.E., Olympia, WA 98501, phone 360-688-0195, email michael.williams2@dcyf.wa.gov, website www.dcyf.wa.gov.

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