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POLICY STATEMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOR AND INDUSTRIES  
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**Policy Statements**

Under RCW 34.05.230, following are statements regarding two amended interim policies, issued by the department of labor and industries (L&I) insurance services division.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tracy West, rules coordinator, at 360-902-6954.

Title: Interim Policy 13.05 - *Scheduling Independent Medical Examinations.*

Date Issued: January 1, 2021.

Description: The policy is amended due to recent 2020 legislation specifying that L&I can issue a no show fee, defines a new medical issue, created a section requiring L&I adopt rules and policies for telemedicine for independent medical examinations, and requires L&I define accommodation when no approved medical examiner is available in the worker's community. The policy is interim because the legislation went into effect January 1, 2021.

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Title: Interim Policy 13.07 - *Worker Cancels or Fails to Appear for an Independent Medical Examination.*

Date Issued: January 1, 2021.

Description: The policy is amended due to recent 2020 legislation specifying that L&I can issue a no show fee. The policy is interim because the legislation went into effect January 1, 2021.

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