

WSR 23-16-120
PROPOSED RULES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(Board of Optometry)

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Continuance of WSR 23-15-107.

Preproposal statement of inquiry was filed as WSR 23-01-076.

Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: Health equity continuing education (CE) for optometrists. The board of optometry (board) is proposing new WAC 246-851-225 to establish health equity CE to implement ESSB 5229 (chapter 276, Laws 2021).

Hearing Location(s): On September 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Labor and Industries, 7273 Linderson Way S.W., Room S119, Tumwater, WA 98501; or link to virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams. Join on your computer, mobile app, or room device, [https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ODQ3NzA2NDEtNDI5Yi00ZTYyLTThiODctMmVkJDU3ZmE2OTkx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2211d0e217-264e-400a-8ba0-57dcc127d72d%22%2c%220id%22%3a%22b0a413cc-861e-438f-ad33-52df6d9a4283%22%7d, Meeting ID 286 469 743 295, Passcode BLEXQT; or call in \(audio only\) +1 564-999-2000,,893212425# United States, Olympia 833-322-1218,,893212425# United States \(toll-free\), Phone Conference ID 893 212 425#](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ODQ3NzA2NDEtNDI5Yi00ZTYyLTThiODctMmVkJDU3ZmE2OTkx%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2211d0e217-264e-400a-8ba0-57dcc127d72d%22%2c%220id%22%3a%22b0a413cc-861e-438f-ad33-52df6d9a4283%22%7d, Meeting ID 286 469 743 295, Passcode BLEXQT; or call in (audio only) +1 564-999-2000,,893212425# United States, Olympia 833-322-1218,,893212425# United States (toll-free), Phone Conference ID 893 212 425#).

Date of Intended Adoption: September 8, 2023.

Submit Written Comments to: Kristina Bell, Program Manager, Department of Health, P.O. Box 47852, Olympia, WA 98504-7852, email <https://fortress.wa.gov/doh/policyreview>, fax 360-236-2901, by August 30, 2023.

Assistance for Persons with Disabilities: Contact Kristina Bell, program manager, phone 360-236-4841, fax 360-236-2901, TTY 711, email Kristina.bell@doh.wa.gov, by September 1, 2023.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: The purpose of this filing is to correct the physical location of the public hearing and correct the time of day.

July 31, 2023
William Prothero, OD, Chair
Board of Optometry