

WSR 26-07-062
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: WAC 182-531-0100 Scope of coverage for physician-related and health care professional services—General and administrative; other related rules as appropriate.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 41.05.021 and 41.05.160.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: The health care authority (agency) is revising its vaccine policy for apple health (medicaid) clients to also include the Washington state department of health's recommendations. This change aligns with ESHB 2242, 2026 regular session. During this review, the agency may identify additional related changes that improve clarity or update policy.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Department of health.

Process for Developing New Rule: The agency welcomes the public to take part in developing this rule. If interested, contact the person identified below to receive an early rule draft to review. After the early review, the agency will send a notice of proposed rule making (CR-102) to everyone receiving this notice and anyone who requests a copy.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Blake O'Connor, Rule-making Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-1344, fax 360-586-9727, telecommunication relay services (TRS) 711, email blake.oconnor@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking; or Korrina Dalke, Program Questions, P.O. Box 42716, Olympia, WA 98504-2716, phone 360-725-2005, fax 360-586-9727, TRS 711, email Korrina.dalke@hca.wa.gov, website www.hca.wa.gov/about-hca/rulemaking.

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