















WSHA'S STATE RULE MAKING - COMPLETE 2019

PRIORITY LEVEL/RESULT	NAME OF RULE, AGENCY & DESCRIPTION	STATUS	EFFECTIVE DATE	WSHA POSITION	WSHA CONTACT
 1	Health Care Authority - 182-550-2900 Payment limits – Inpatient hospital services; 182-550-2950 – Payment limits – Provider preventable fourteen-day readmissions - The agency is amending WAC 182-550-2900 and adding WAC 182-550-2950 to describe the parameters for fourteen-day provider preventable readmissions.	Order	7-Jul-19	NEUTRAL	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
 1	Collaborative Care - The Health Care Authority (HCA) is creating rules for coverage of a new model of care called Collaborative Care, which is part of the integration of mental health and physical health. (WAC 182-531-0425)	Order	11-Jul-19	MONITOR	Shirley Prasad shirleyp@wsha.org
 2	Department of Health - Safe Medication Return Program - The Department of Health (DOH) is creating rules as required by state law to establish a system of regulation for the safe and secure collection and disposal of unwanted medicines through a uniform drug "take-back" program. The enabling legislation (chapter 69.48 RCW) is very prescriptive in how the drug take-back program is to be established and executed, including the functions that the department must perform. The rules only touch on parts of the law in need of more clarity. The rules primarily address administrative and oversight details and include: A process to identify covered manufacturers who must pay into the drug take-back program. The type of budget information required in the program operator's proposal submitted to the program for approval, as well as budget information submitted by the program operator with each annual report. The process to appeal department decisions. How to determine areas in the state underserved by the drug take-back program. Setting department fees.	Final rule language Concise explanatory statement Adoption notice Program application form Order	1-Aug-19	SUPPORT	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
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 2	Office of Financial Management - All-payer health care claims database (WA-APCD). WAC 82-75-030 provides additional definitions for terms used in the chapter that establishes and regulates the WA-APCD. This rule making is to revise definitions that have been enacted and add definitions for other terms that have not previously been defined in statute or rule	Order Amended chapter 82-75-030 Concise explanatory statement	18-Mar-19	MONITOR	Shirley Prasad shirleyp@wsha.org
 2	Health Care Authority - School Employee Benefits Board (SEBB) - The HCA has established rules to implement SEBB policy resolutions and statutory changes; amended rules to improve the administration of the SEBB program and made technical corrections to SUBB rules.	Order	1-Aug-19	NEUTRAL	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
 2	Fees-License, change of ownership, refund process. Proposing increased initial license and renewal fees for ambulatory surgical facilities (ASF) - WAC 246-330-199 - Department of Health - Proposing to increase initial and renewal licensing fees for ASFs to finance required inspection activities and address other financial obligations.	Order	15-Apr-19	MONITOR	Zosia Stanley zosias@wsha.org
 2	WAC 246-976-580 and 246-976 -700- Trauma Designation Process and Trauma Service Standards. The Department of Health (department) has adopted changes to existing rules that outline the process and service standards for trauma designated facilities. The adopted rules provide a necessary update to the existing standards to establish requirements that will be used to evaluate trauma services to the most current and nationally recognized standards available.	Order	3-Jan-19	NEUTRAL	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org

	Prescribing Opioids by Dentists - 2 The Department of Health (DOH), The Dental Quality Assurance Commission (commission) proposes new sections and changes to existing rule that will establish requirements and standards for prescribing opioid drugs by dentists consistent with the directives of Engrossed Substitute House Bill (EHSB) 1427.	Order Concise Explanatory Statement	26-Jan-19	MONITOR	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
	Department of Health - Chapter 246-341 WAC - Behavioral Health Services Administrative Requirements. 2 The Department is proposing to adopt licensing and certification rules for behavioral health services per the transfer of authority from the Department of Social and Health Services.	Order	17-May-19	NEUTRAL	Jaclyn Greenberg jaclyng@wsha.org
	Health Care Authority - WAC 182-513-1620 - Tailored supports for older adults – Presumptive eligibility (PE) 2 The agency is amending the presumptive eligibility period from twelve to twenty-four months to align with Title 388 WAC.	Order	22-Jun-19	MONITOR	Zosia Stanley zosias@wsha.org
	Chapter 246-887 WAC Regulations Implementing the Uniform Controlled Substances Act - 2 The Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (commission) is amending this chapter to update federal citations, make grammatical corrections, clarify language, and update all schedules to reflect the changes made by the Drug Enforcement Administration to 21 C.F.R. 1308 made from 2010 to April 1, 2018	Order	5-Apr-19	MONITOR	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
	Health Care Authority - 3 The agency is revising WAC 182- 533-0370 to remove subsection (3) to allow the infant and infant’s parents to receive infant case management and maternity support services (MSS) if a parent becomes pregnant. The agency is also revising WAC 182-533-0390 to reduce the minimum hours of childbirth education (CBE) instruction required from eight to six.	Order	1-Apr-19	SUPPORT	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
	Payment related to bariatric surgery - The Health Care Authority (HCA) is submitting a rulemaking change to reflect a change in policy to allow any MBSAQIP accredited hospital to do bariatric surgery. This policy will eliminate the bariatric case rate and allow more hospitals to perform bariatric surgery and be paid via Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) (182-550-3000 Hospital services – Payment method; 182-550-3470 Hospital services – Payment method – Bariatric surgery – Per case rate; 182-550-4400 Hospital services – Services – Exempt from DRG payment; 182-550-4800 Hospital services – Hospital payment methods – State administered programs)	Order	1-Mar-19	MONITOR	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
	Implementation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act - (Ch. 246-887 WAC) - 3 The Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (commission) is amending this chapter to update federal citations, make grammatical corrections, clarify language, and update all schedules to reflect the changes made by the Drug Enforcement Administration to 21 C.F.R. 1308 made from 2010 to April 1, 2018.	Order	5-Apr-19	MONITOR	Lauren McDonald laurenm@wsha.org
	Department of Health - 3 WAC 246-454-010--Definitions and WAC 246-454-030--Submission of budget (Hospital Financial Data and Reports). The Department of Health (department) has adopted: (1) the repeal of WAC 246-454-030 to eliminate an outdated requirement that each hospital submit a financial report related to hospitals' annual budgets; (2) an amendment to WAC 246-454-010 to remove the definition of "budget," a term related to the section repealed; and (3) an amendment to correct a statutory reference in WAC 246-454-010; and an amendment to the introduction sentence in WAC 246-454-010 to provide clarity.	Order	18-Jan-20	SUPPORT	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
	Trauma Registry (WAC 246-976-420) - 3 The Department of Health (DOH) is considering amendments to update rules to improve data quality, better align with trauma registry software, and remove unnecessary data elements.	Order	14-Apr-19	MONITOR	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
	WAC 246-840-533 Nursing Preceptors, interdisciplinary preceptors, and proctors in clinical or practice settings for nursing education programs located in Washington State. 3 The Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission (commission) proposes amendments to existing rule that will provide rule clarification and reduce barriers for nursing student access to preceptors for the purpose of completing clinical experience.	Order	27-Apr-19	MONITOR	Lauren McDonald Laurenm@wsha.org
	WAC 182-531-2040 Enhanced reimbursement-- 3 Medication assisted treatment for opioid use disorder - This rule is being amended because the Washington State Legislature provided funding to increase the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) rate for opioid use disorder to match the Medicare rate in order to encourage more providers to treat patients with opioid use disorder. This represents an exception to current payment methodology and needs to be described in the administrative code.	Order	13-May-19	SUPPORT	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org

 3	Health Care Authority - Dental services - The agency is revising these rules to comply with legislation in Substitute Senate Bill 5883 for providing dental services through managed care, adding coverage for teledentistry, revising limitation on visual oral assessments, revising the reference to smoking cessation to read tobacco/nicotine cessation, and removing the restriction of “for pregnant women only” to aligned with other agency rulemaking filed under WSR 18-18-094.	Order	1-Jul-19	MONITOR	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
 3	Health Care Authority - Section under chapter 182-426 for Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT - This rulemaking is necessary to implement House Bill 2007 that directed the agency to design and implement a supplemental Medicaid reimbursement in addition to the rate of payment that an eligible provider would otherwise receive for Medicaid ground emergency medical transportation services for both fee-for-service and managed care-enrolled clients. An eligible provider is one who provides ground emergency medical transportation services to Medicaid beneficiaries, is enrolled as a Medicaid provider, and is owned or operated by the state, a city, county fire protection district, community services district, health care district, federally recognized Indian tribe, or any unit of government as defined in 42 C.F.R. Sec. 433.50.	Order	1-May-19	SUPPORT	Ben Lindekugel BenL@awphd.org
 3	COFA Premium Payment Assistance SSB 5683 - (2018) ESSB 6032 - (2018) (Ch. 182-524 WAC) - As directed by the Legislature, the Health Care Authority (HCA) is creating rules to implement a premium assistance program for Pacific Islanders residing in Washington under a compact of free association (COFA).	Order	17-Jun-19	SUPPORT	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
 3	Premium Payment Program (Ch. 182-558 WAC) - The Health Care Authority (HCA) is amending Chapter 182-558 WAC to clarify and update eligibility criteria for clients receiving premium assistance subsidies for comprehensive health insurance.	Order	22-Jun-19	MONITOR	Andrew Busz andrewb@wsha.org
 3	Federal Medicare Savings Program (WAC 182-517-0100) - The Health Care Authority (HCA) is amending these rules to create a second eligibility methodology based on household size for the qualified Medicare beneficiary program. During the course of this review, the agency may identify additional changes that are required to improve clarity or update policy.	Order	5-Jul-19	MONITOR	Shirley Prasad shirleyp@wsha.org
 3	Psychiatric physician-related services and other professional mental health services - 182-531-1400 (SB Bill 5779) - Health Care Authority - Proposing to revise multiple Washington Apple Health rules regarding nonessential restrictions and limitations.	Order	22-Aug-19	SUPPORT	Jaclyn Greenberg jaclyng@wsha.org