



August 21, 2025

Subject: Informative- Information on Agency Rulemaking August 1-15, 2025

Honorable Tribal Leaders, Partners, and Professionals,

We thank you for your partnership and guidance on the Washington State Department of Health rulemaking process. As an agency, we are committed to honoring the Tribal sovereignty of Washington's first Nations. As part of this commitment, and in appreciation of the governance structures of Tribal Nations, we welcome your expertise and collaboration in these current and upcoming rulemaking activities. We prioritize Tribal involvement early in the process to better ensure we are incorporating Tribal expertise, perspectives, and transparency in agency rulemaking.

In accordance with [Chapter 43.376 RCW](#), the [Washington State Centennial Accord of 1989](#), and the [Department of Health's \(WA-DOH\) Tribal Consultation and Collaboration Procedure](#), DOH invites you to review the list of rulemaking activities below and actively collaborate with staff on all topics that may be of interest.

We appreciate your feedback, if you have any suggestions or questions about how to best honor Tribal sovereignty and strengthen agency processes, please let us know.

To provide comments or requests for additional information, please contact:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Candice Wilson".

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Rule Report |
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The following Department of Health (WA-DOH) and State Board of Health (SBOH) rules and documents were filed with the Washington State's Code Reviser Office August 1-15, 2025. If you have any questions about the documents, please contact the person on the forms.

[Preproposal Statement of Inquiry \(CR-101\)](#)

Birth Center Fees. WA DOH is considering amending fees for licensed birthing centers Filed as [WSR 25-16-077](#).

Certificate of Need Review Fees. WA DOH is considering an update to Certificate of Need (CN) review fees in WAC 246-310-990 and may also consider changes to clarify and standardize language. Filed as [WSR 25-17-069](#).

Emergency Department Data Reporting – RHINO. WA DOH is considering new rules to implement RCW 43.70.057, establishing syndromic surveillance data reporting requirements and standards. Filed as [WSR 25-17-001](#).

[Proposed Rules \(CR-102\)](#)

Crisis Relief Centers for Minors. WA DOH proposed new rules to establish licensing standards for crisis relief centers serving minors. Filed as [WSR 25-16-075](#).

Expanded Function Dental Auxiliaries. The Dental Quality Assurance Commission proposed rules for expanded function dental auxiliaries to allow the amalgam clinical patient requirement to be optional. Filed as [WSR 25-17-018](#).

[Expedited Rulemaking \(CR-105\)](#)

No Filings

Emergency Rules (CR-103E)

WA HEALTH Reporting. WA DOH refiled an emergency rule requiring hospitals to report data to WA HEALTH. This is the 9th emergency rule filed to maintain hospital reporting during permanent rulemaking. Filed as [WSR 25-16-068](#).

Adopted Rules (CR-103P)

Chiropractic and X-ray Technician Licensure Fees. WA DOH and The Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission adopted changes to licensure and renewal fees for chiropractors and X-ray technicians. Filed as [WSR 25-16-076](#).

Miscellaneous Filings

Board of Hearing and Speech – Revised 2026 schedule of regular meetings. Filed as [WSR 25-16-083](#).

Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery – Rescission of Policy Statement OP22-01 regarding telemedicine, published under WSR 22-15-061, was rescinded because it has been superseded by recent legislation. Filed as [WSR 25-16-061](#).

Emergency Department Data Reporting – RHINO CR101 Withdrawal. WA DOH withdrew CR101 filed under WSR 17-21-075 it has been replaced by a new CR101 WSR 25-17-001 considering the same topic. Filed as [WSR 25-17-020](#).

General Provisions for Opioid Prescribing CR101 Withdrawal. WA DOH withdrew CR 101 WSR 24-04-066 in consideration of general provisions for opioid prescribing in order to reconsider rulemaking with a broader scope. Filed as [WSR 25-17-019](#).

Medical Cannabis Consultant Training – Policy Statement. WA DOH issued policy statement HSQA MC 2025-01 clarifying how alternative training for medical cannabis consultants may meet regulatory requirements. Filed as [WSR 25-16-050](#).

Rule Agenda – July to December 2025. WA DOH and SBOH published their July 2025 rule agenda, listing all anticipated rulemaking for the coming months. Filed as [WSR 25-17-010](#).

Substance Use Disorder Professional (SUDP) – 2026 schedule of regular meetings. [WSR 25-17-035](#).

Temporary Worker Housing Fees CR101 Withdrawal. The department has withdrawn the CR-101 WSR 24-03-138 related to temporary worker housing fees because these fees are being incorporated into a larger environmental public health division-wide fee update. Filed as [WSR 25-16-080](#).

Water System Fee Rulemaking CR101 Withdrawal. WA DOH withdrew consideration to amend fees related to water systems under WSR 24-08-068 in order to incorporate these fees into a larger division wide fee update. Filed as [WSR 25-16-069](#).