



# HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

Rule Development kick-off meeting



# HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS RULE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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- Background
- Rule Development Process
- Logistics
- Questions

# Purpose

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**Modify the hospital  
licensing rules**

Open chapter 246-320  
WAC

Construction  
standards only

Section 500-600



**Consider the 2018  
FGI Guidelines**

New edition

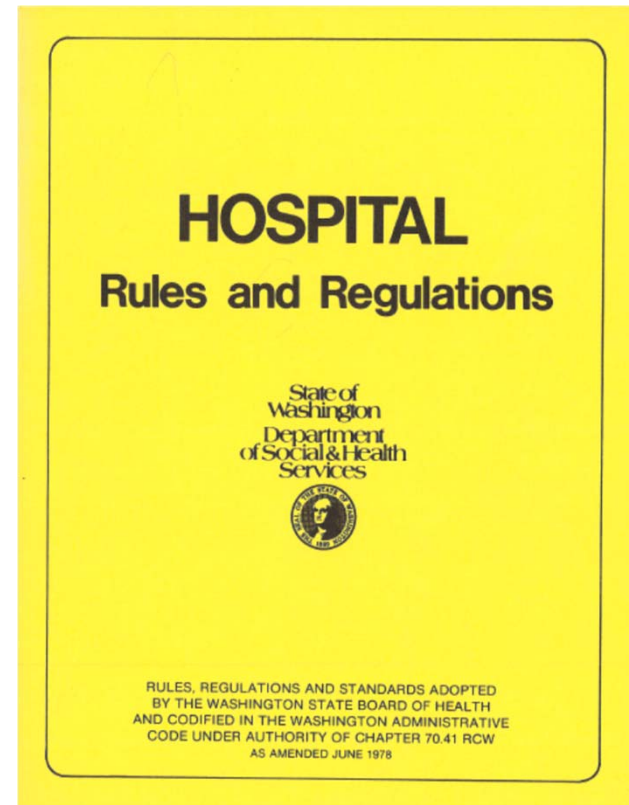
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Current WAC  
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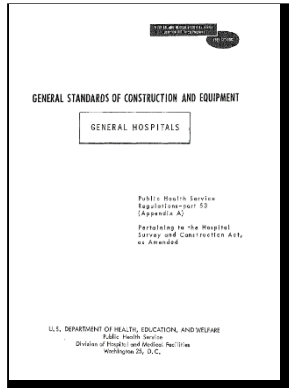
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Until 2008, DOH wrote its own hospital construction standard.



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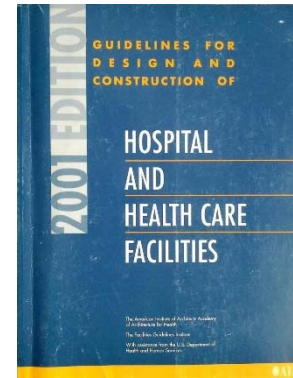
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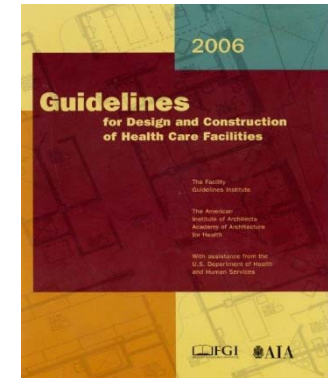
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1990s

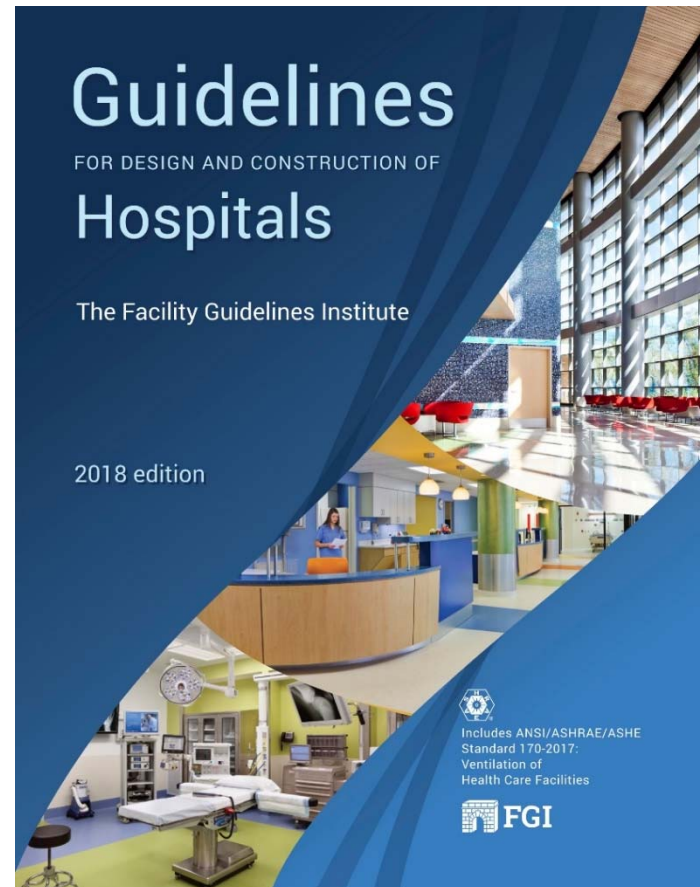
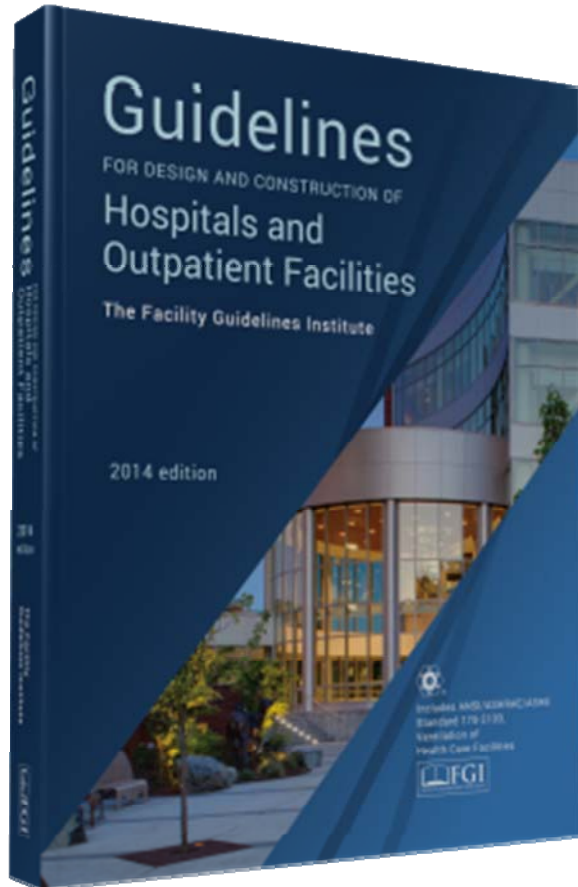


2001



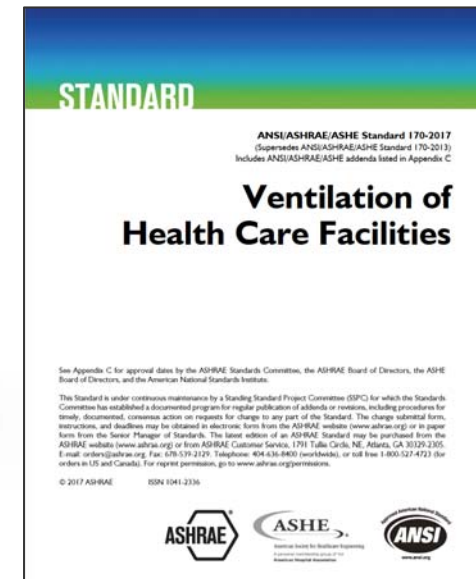
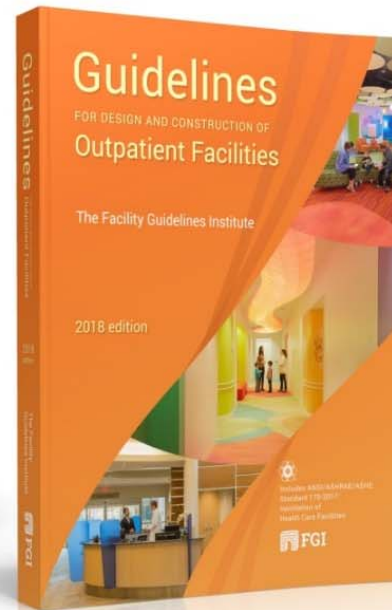
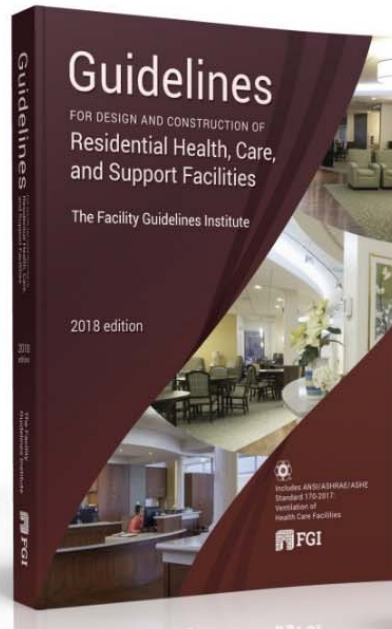
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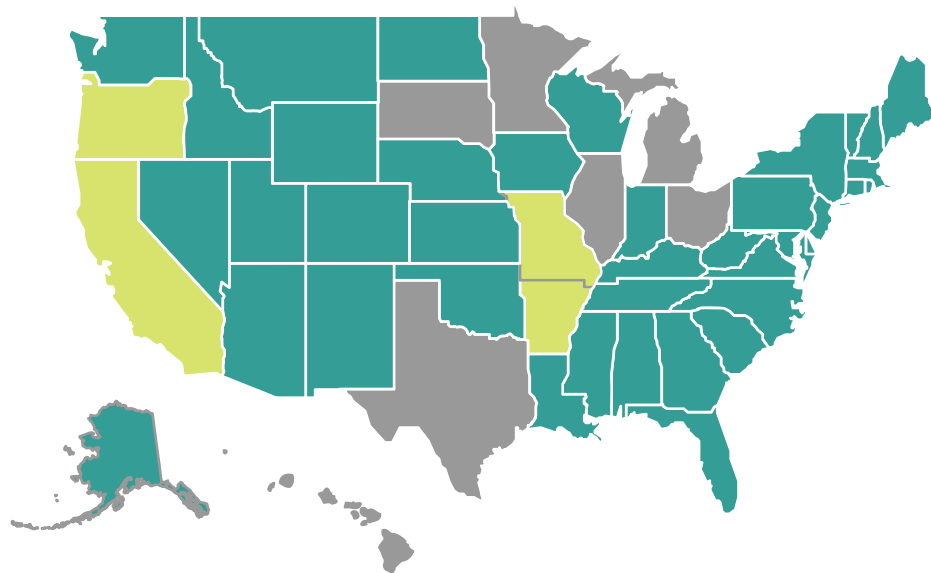


# WEBINAR: Major Updates to the 2018 FGI



September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Washington State Department of Health | 7



## FGI Guidelines use in the US

These states adopt or refer to the FGI Guidelines as a minimum standard for the design and construction of healthcare facilities.

Guidelines 39

Equivalency 4

Write their own 7



# Rule Development process

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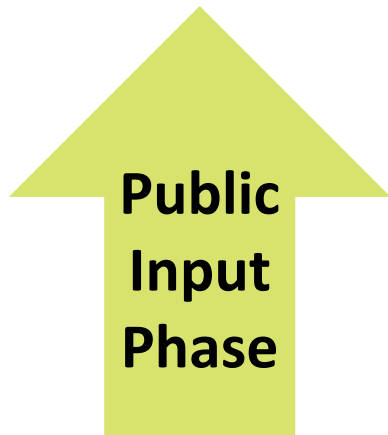
Rule Inquiry

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Rule Proposal

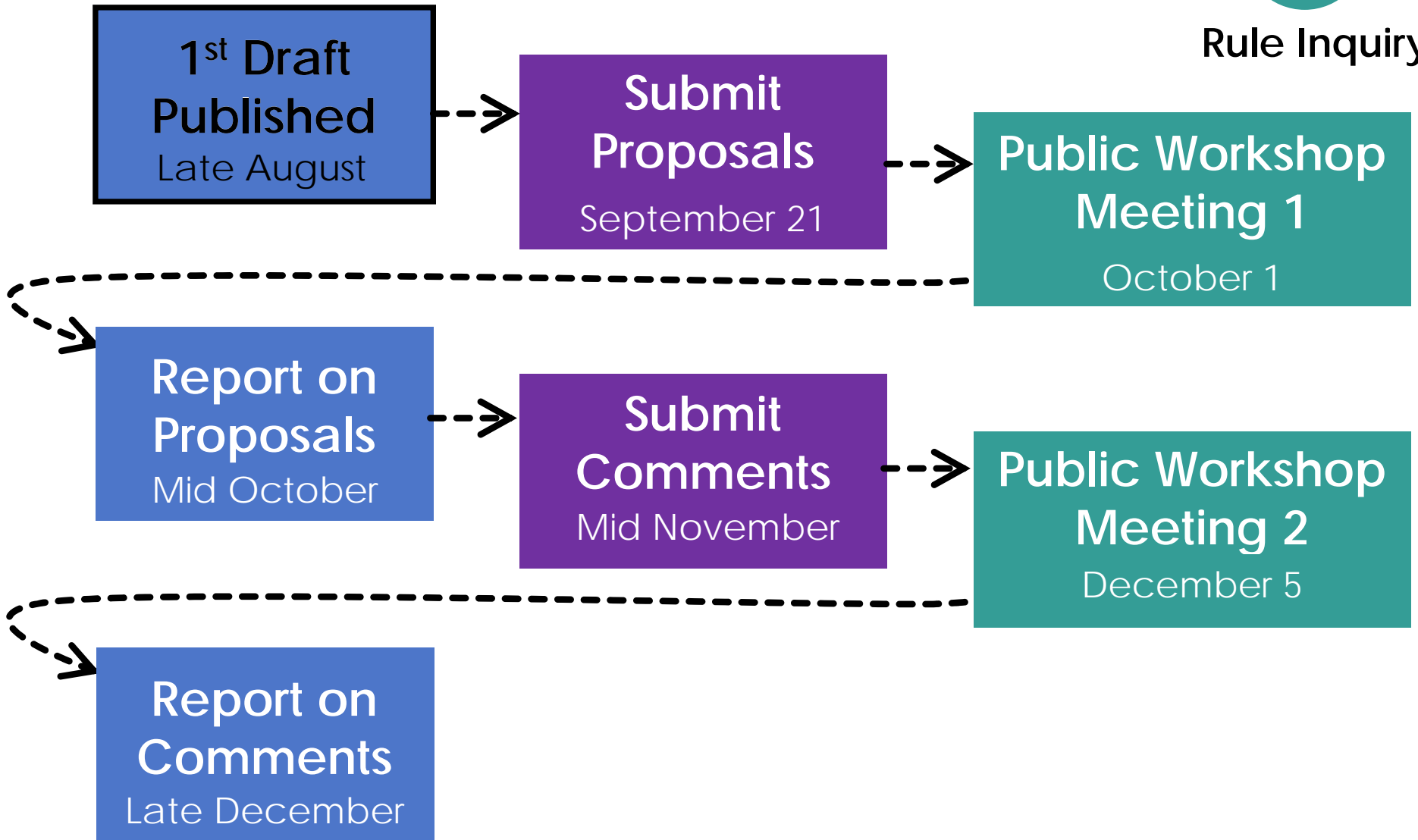
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Rule Adoption



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Rule Inquiry





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## Rule Inquiry


# Submit Proposals

Any interested part may submit a written proposal to modify the draft.

Deadline for proposals is September 21, 2018.

# 1

## Rule Inquiry



**Community Health Systems**  
 P.O. Box 47852  
 Olympia, Washington 98504-7852  
 Telephone: (360) 236-2944  
 Fax: (360) 236-2321  
 Internet: [www.doh.wa.gov/crs](http://www.doh.wa.gov/crs)  
 Email: [rsfors@doh.wa.gov](mailto:rsfors@doh.wa.gov)

### Rule Change Proposal Form

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Motion	YES	NO	Comm. Action	Proposal #
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1	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Name of Submitter			
Submitter	Mailing Address	City	County	State	Zip+4
	Telephone	Fax	Email Address		
	<b>2 Document:</b> (select one) <b>Enter specific section:</b> (e.g. WAC 246-320-500 (1)(a) or FGI 2.1-8.2.2.1)				
3	<b>Proposal</b> <small>Include proposed new or revised wording, or identification of wording to be deleted. Please use underscore to denote wording to be inserted (<u>inserted wording</u>) and strike through to denote wording to be deleted (<del>deleted wording</del>). 200 word max – attach additional pages as needed.</small>				
4	<b>Statement of Problem and Substantiation for Proposal</b> <small>State the problem that will be resolved by your recommendation addresses; give specific reason for your proposal. 200 word max – attach additional pages as needed.</small>				

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## Proposal Form

Complete all sections

- Contact info
- Proposal
  - added text
  - ~~deleted text~~
- Substantiation
- Cost impacts



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## Rule Inquiry

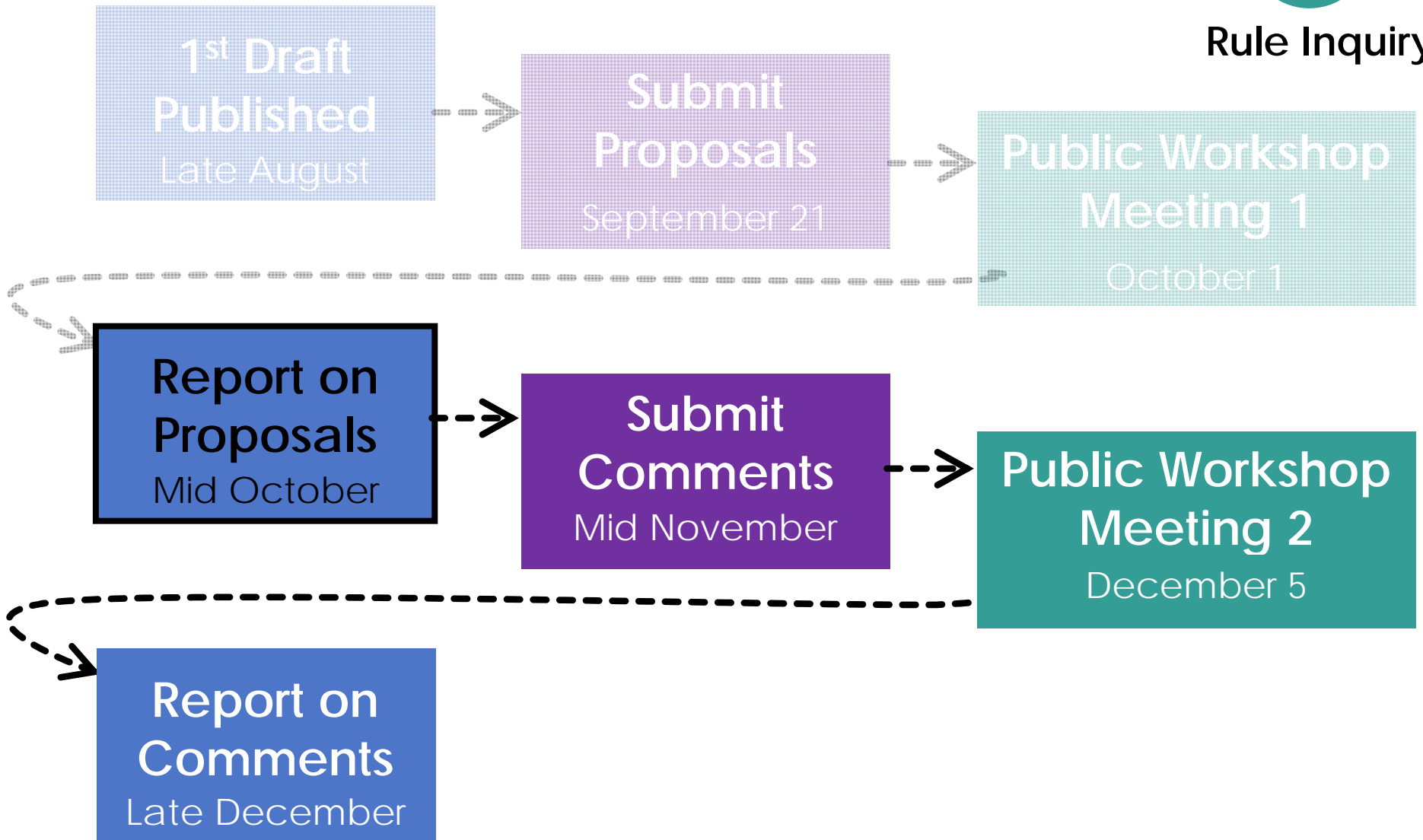
### Public Workshop #1

- October 1, 2018
- Proposals create the agenda
- Provide feedback  
(verbal or written)
- Advisory opinion

### Report on Proposals

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## Rule Inquiry







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## Rule Inquiry

### Submit comments

Any interested party may submit a written comment on a previous proposal.

Ideally, we focus on previous comments.

Can submit new information



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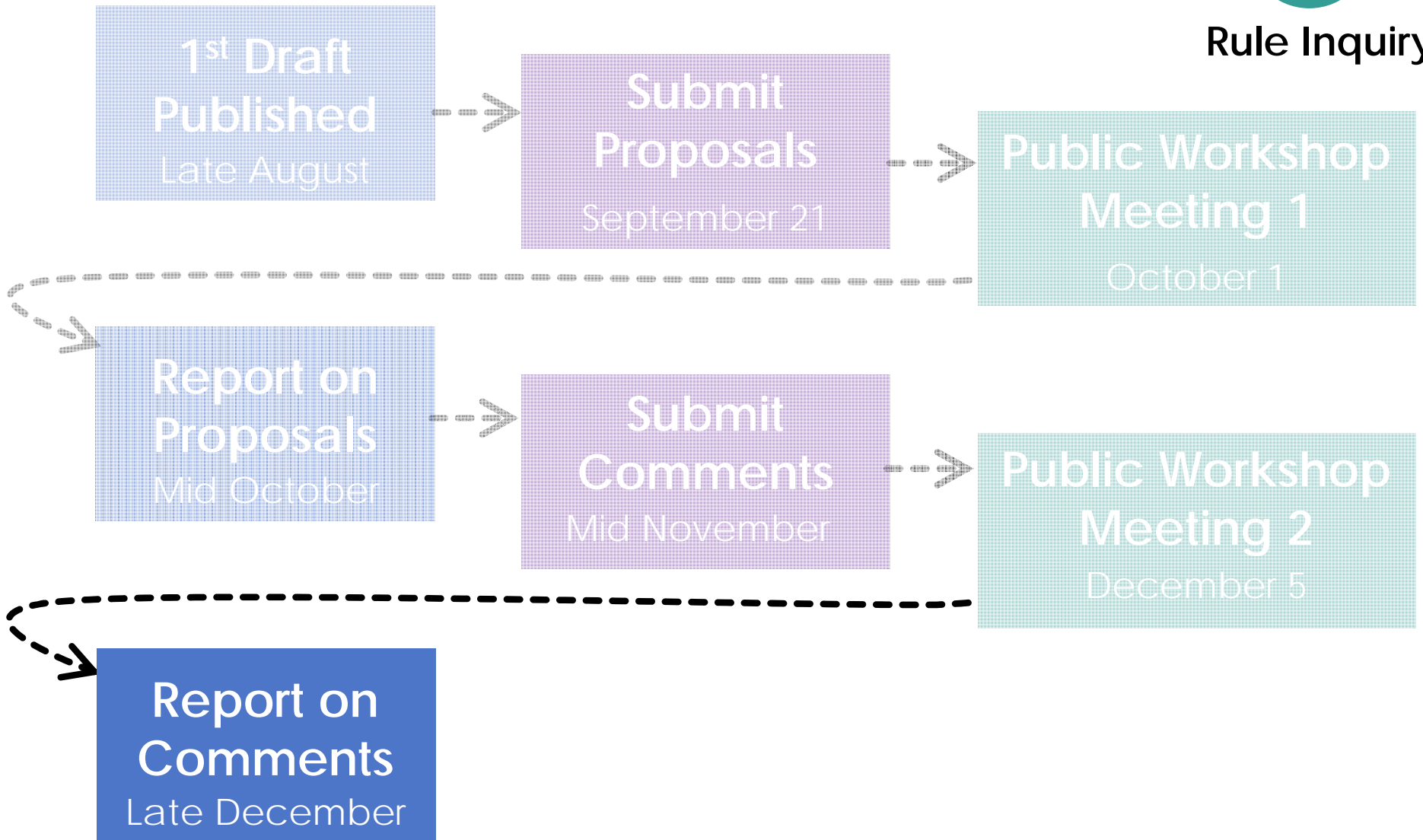
### Public Workshop #2

- December 5, 2018
- Comments create the agenda
- Provide feedback  
(verbal or written)
- Advisory opinion

### Report on Comments

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## Rule Inquiry



# Three Phases of Rule Development

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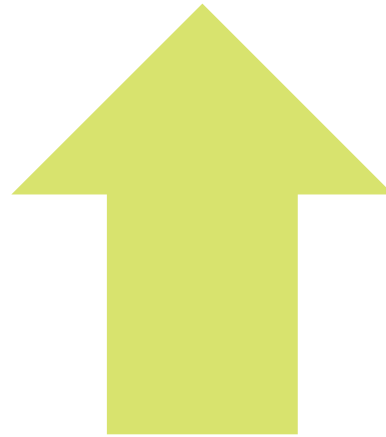
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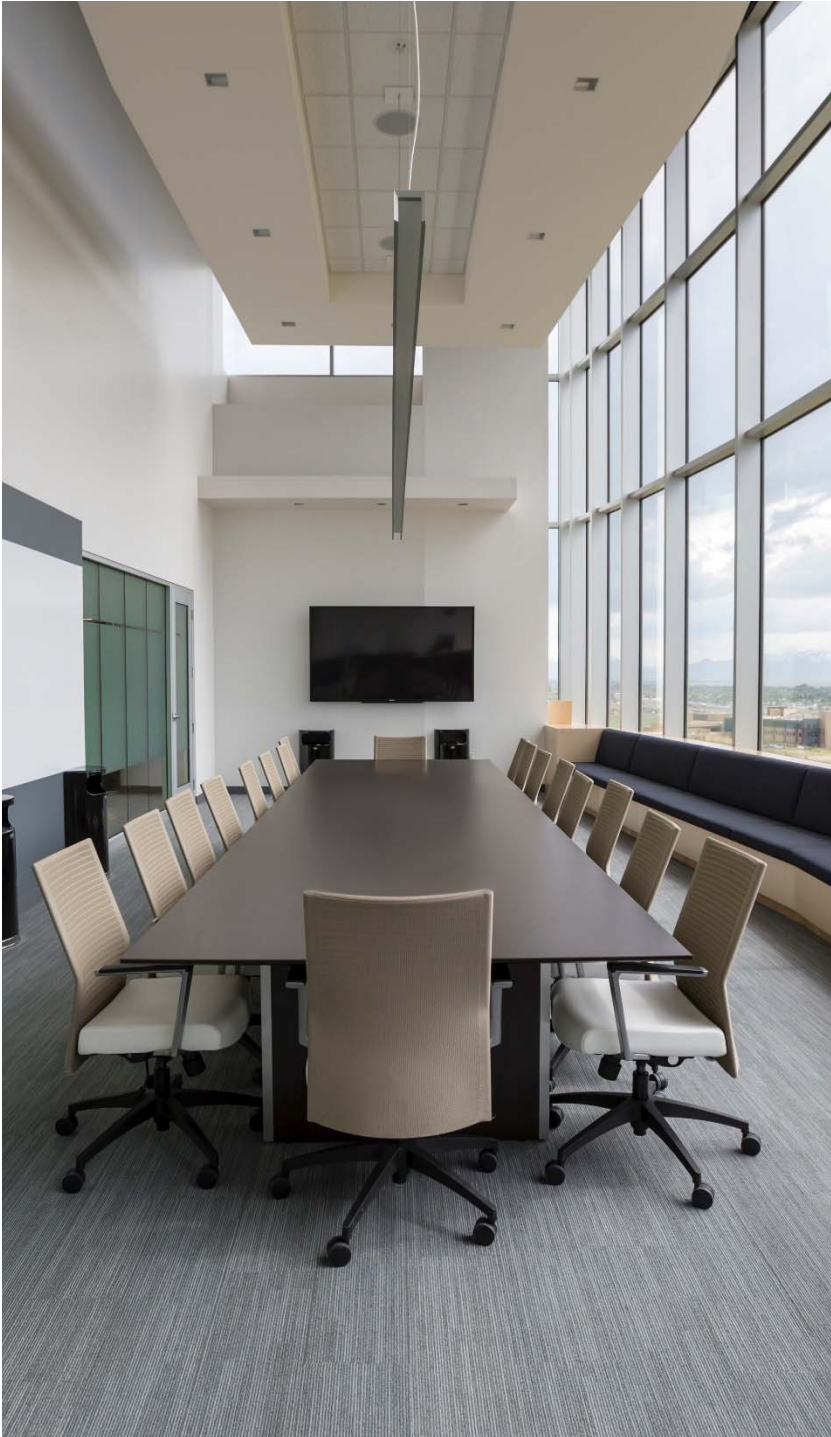


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## Rule Proposal







## 2

### Rule Proposal

## Public Workshop #3

- Proposed rule is the agenda
- Provide feedback  
(verbal or written)



# Three Phases of Rule Development

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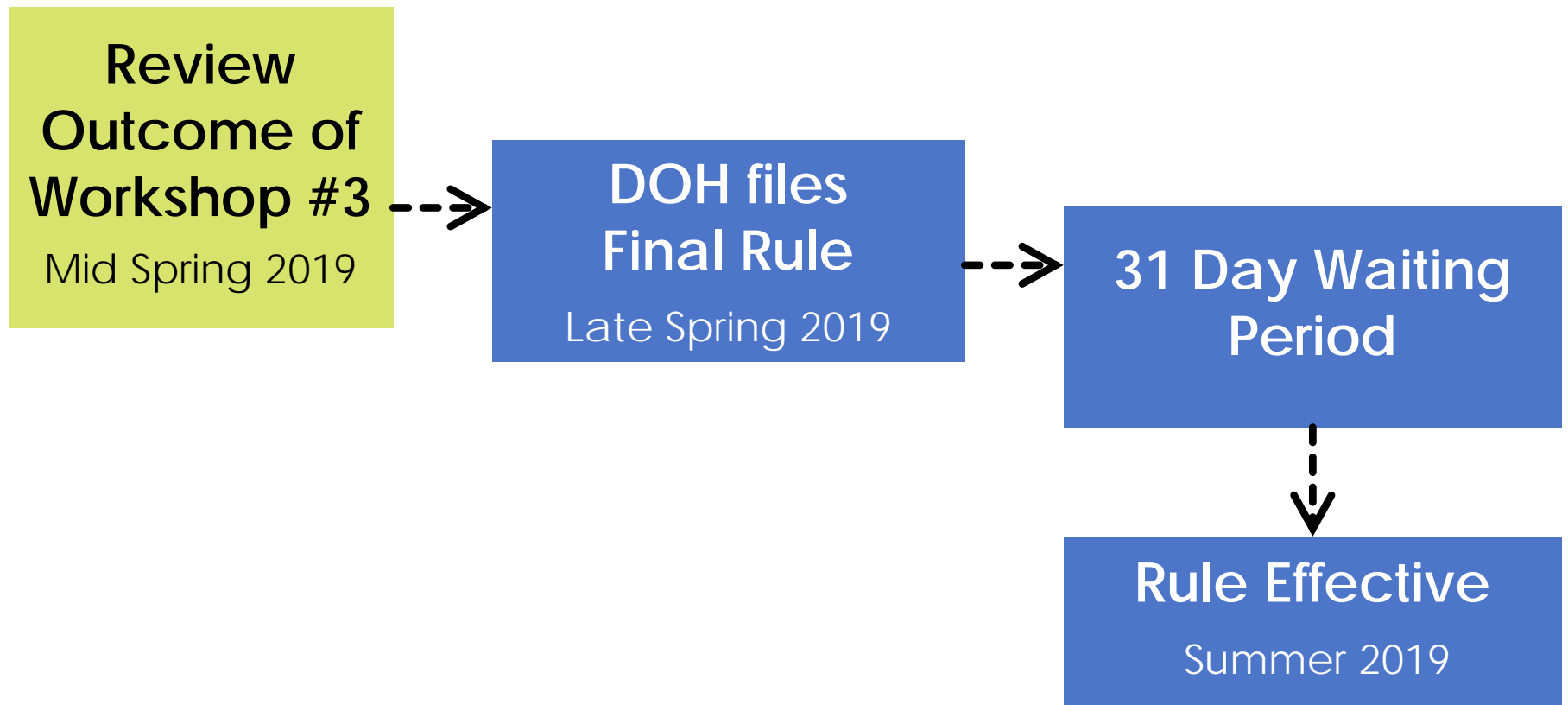
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## Rule Adoption



# Construction Review Website

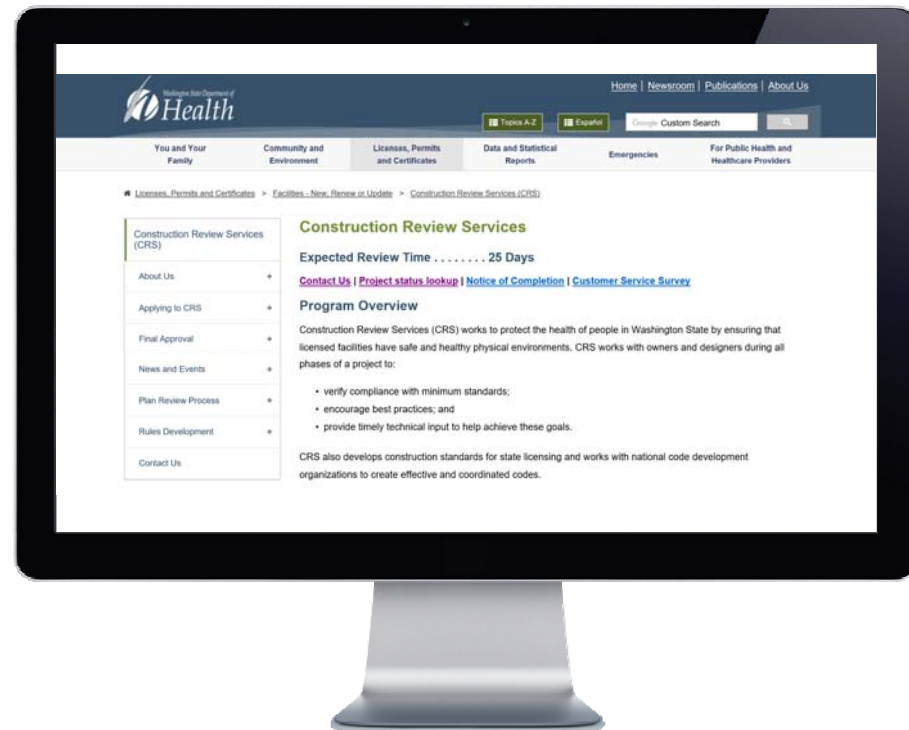
[www.doh.wa.gov/crs](http://www.doh.wa.gov/crs)

## Listserv (GovDelivery)

- Sept 5<sup>th</sup> webinar
- Updates

## Rules Development page

- Rule proposal form
- Rules Comment form
- Contacts



Construction Review Services (CRS)	
About Us	+
Applying to CRS	+
Final Approval	+
News and Events	+
Plan Review Process	+
Rules Development	-
CRS Rule-making Process	
Hospital Construction Standards Rules Project	-
Important Dates	
Rule-making Process	
Contact Us	

## Construction Review Services

Expected Review Time . . . . . 25 Days

[Contact Us](#) | [Project status lookup](#) | [Notice of Completion](#) | [Customer Service Survey](#)

### Hospital Construction Standards Rules Project: 2018-2019

#### Background

Hospital licensing construction standards set minimum requirements for new construction and renovation of licensed hospitals. Healthcare design and construction processes are complex and highly specialized. The design and construction industry constantly evolves to include new materials, technologies and methods. It is in the interest and safety of the public and the healthcare system to have facilities designed to the most current standards.

On August 8, 2018, the Department of Health's (department) Office of Community Health Systems, Construction Review Services unit officially filed a CR-101 (pre-proposal statement of inquiry) with the Office of the Code Reviser to open chapter 246-320 WAC (construction standards only) for possible modification, WSR #18-17-045. This rulemaking process will consider aligning our state licensing standards with current national construction standards. Potential rules revisions would allow facilities and designers to use new construction methods and technologies.

[The Department's Rule-making Process](#) | [Important Dates](#)

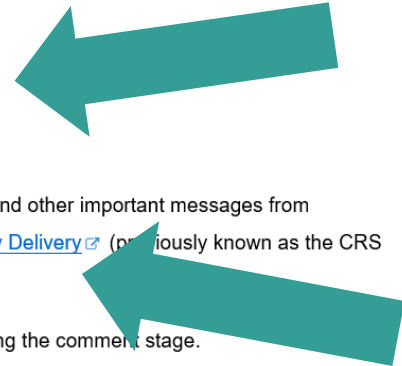
#### Communications

To receive updates via email about draft and proposed rules changes and other important messages from Construction Review Services (CRS), [join the Construction Review Gov Delivery](#) (previously known as the CRS Listserv).

- Please use our [Rule Proposal Form \(Word\)](#) for all comments during the comment stage.

#### Contacts

- CRS main phone line: 360-236-2944
- [John Williams, Construction Review Services Manager](#)



# Facility Guidelines Institute

[www.fgiguideelines.org](http://www.fgiguideelines.org)

History

Major Revisions  
commentary

Errata

News

Link to Online version



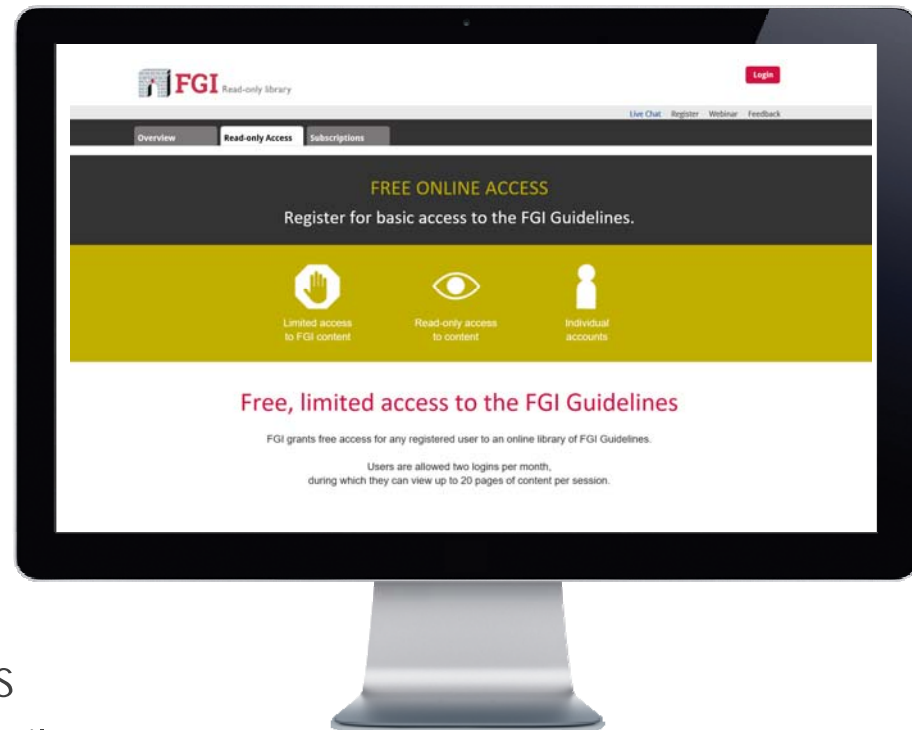
# Free access to the 2018 FGI

## Two Options:

### 1. Limited Site license

- 6 months
- Read only
- Few concurrent users
- Contact CRS for details

### 2. Free site: [www.fgireadonly.madcad.com](http://www.fgireadonly.madcad.com)





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# Questions?

