



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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Agency: Office of the Insurance Commissioner

Subject of possible rule making: Implementation of E2SHB 1477 and Consolidated Health Care Rulemaking

Insurance Commissioner Matter R 2021-16

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 48.02.060, RCW 48.43.515, RCW 48.44.050, RCW 48.46.200 and Chapter 302, Laws of 2021.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The Commissioner is considering adopting rules to implement E2SHB 1477 concerning access to next day appointments required in the legislation. The Commissioner may also consider utilizing this rule to consolidate OIC rulemaking if necessary to ensure that rules related to recently enacted legislation are adopted by OIC prior to January 1, 2022. Currently, multiple provisions of OIC rules in chapters 284-43 and 284-170 WAC may need to be amended to be consistent with recent laws. These rules will facilitate implementation of recent laws by ensuring that all affected health care entities understand their rights and obligations under the recent laws.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: None

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Submit comments by: September 15, 2021.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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