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ALTSA: AFH #2015-001 CR-103 FILED AMENDING CHAPTER 388-76 WAC

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

In July 2013, the department began the rule-making process for amending Chapter 388-76 Washington Administrative Code (WAC), Adult Family Home Minimum Licensing Requirements, Reviser to comply and be consistent with state laws, including these passed by 2013 Legislature:

- Substitute House Bill 1629 Home care aides—Credentialing and continuing education;
- Engrossed House Bill 1677 Adult family homes—Multiple facility operators;
- Substitute House Bill 1686 K-12 schools—High school equivalency certificates;
- Substitute Senate Bill 5077 Statutes—Gender-neutral terms;
- Senate Bill 5510 Vulnerable adults—Abuse;
- Substitute Senate Bill 5630 Vulnerable adults—Adult family homes; and
- Change references from "boarding home" to "assisted living facility" in accordance with RCW 18.20.020.

The department recently filed the final Rule-Making Order (CR-103) for amendments to Chapter 388-76 Washington Administrative Code (WAC) with the Office of the Code Reviser. The revised rules will become effective on February 12, 2015 and are published in the Washington State Register as <a href="https://www.wsc.ncbi.nlm.ncbi

The CR-103 document and permanent rules can be found on the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA) internet website under "AFH Rule Filings" at https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-adult-family-home-providers.

For rule making questions, please contact Christi Pederson, Policy Unit Manager, at (360) 725-2327.

Sincerely,

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