

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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ALTSA: AFH #2019-003 CR-101 FILED TO PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 388-76 WAC (AFH MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS)

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

The department is considering amending or repealing sections of Chapter 388-76 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC). These changes are needed to address resident safety concerns or to correct or clarify language in currently rule.

A CR-101 (<u>WSR 19-03-148</u>) was recently filed with the Office of the Code Reviser to begin the rulemaking process. A link to this document can be found on <u>ALTSA's</u> <u>Information for Adult Family Home Providers web page</u>, under "AFH Rule Filings".

Highlights of the changes under consideration include:

- Clarifying requirements around the notice of rights and services;
- Clarifying the resident is not required to sign the Disclosure of Charges form provided by the department;
- Clarifies transfer and discharge requirements and separates 388-76-10615 into two regulations;
- Clarifying regulation of video monitoring equipment;
- Clarifying language around safe storage of dangerous products; and
- Condense emergency evacuation WACs and clarify location of bedrooms for residents who need assistance.

The proposed language for this change will be posted on the AFH Professional webpage for review and comment prior to filing the CR-102.

For rule-making questions, please contact <u>Libby Wagner</u>, Policy Program Manager, at (253) 234-6061.

Sincerely,

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