

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

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ALTSA: AFH #2021-010
CR-103 (PERMANENT RULE) AMENDING CHAPTER 388-76 WAC
ADULT FAMILY HOME MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

The Department of Social and Health Services (department) has filed a CR-103P (WSR 21-04-131) on February 2, 2021, amending Chapter 388-76 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC), Adult family home licensing requirements. The department amended sections in Chapter 388-76 WAC to update references to Chapter 51-51 WAC, which was changed in 2020.

On July 1, 2020, the department began the permanent rule adoption process by filing a preproposal statement of inquiry under <u>WSR 20-14-117</u>. On November 3, 2020, the department filed the proposed rules under <u>WSR 20-22-100</u>. The department adopted these rules to protect the health and safety of the residents in adult family homes and to benefit regulated entities. The department held a public hearing on December 8 and did not receive any comments on the proposed changes.

The permanent rule will become effective on March 5, 2021, and may not appear online for up to two weeks after the full text of the rule is published in the Washington State Register.

If you have any questions, please contact Libby Wagner, Policy Unit Manager, at (253) 234-6061 or libby.wagner@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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