May 22, 2015

ALTSA: ALF #2015-010
AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 388-78A WAC

Dear Assisted Living Facility Administrators and Interested Parties:

In December 2014, the department began the rulemaking process in order to repeal the Resident Client Protection Program (RCPP) reference sections from Chapter 388-78A WAC. The RCPP program is now a part of the Adult Protective Services (APS) program with Home and Community Services (HCS).

Recently, the department filed the CR-102, a more formal phase of the rule making process. The CR-102, including proposed rule language, is available on the ALTSA website: https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-assisted-living-facility-professionals, under the heading, "ALF Rule Filings".

You may either submit comments in person at the public hearing listed below or in writing to the Department's Rules and Policies Assistance Unit (RPAU).

The formal hearing for the proposed rules is scheduled:
Date: June 9, 2015   Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Office Building 2 (DSHS Headquarters) Lookout Room
*   1115 Washington*
*   Olympia, WA 98504*

You must submit written comments by 5:00 p.m. on date, to the following address or by email to Jennisha Johnson at DSHSRPAURulesCoordinator@dshs.wa.gov
*   DSHS Rules Coordinator /RPAU*
*   PO Box 45850*
*   Olympia WA, 98504-5850*

Directions to Office Building 2 can be found: http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/msa/rpau/RPAU-OB-2directions.html. Public parking is available at 11th and Jefferson streets.

If you have any questions about the proposed rules, please contact Christi Pederson, Policy Unit Manager at (360) 725-2327 or e-mail at pedercl@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Carl I. Walters II., Director
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