



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES  
*Aging and Long-Term Support Administration*  
PO Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504-5600

May 25, 2015

**AL TSA: ALF #2015-011**  
**AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 388-110 WAC**

Dear Assisted Living Facility Administrators and Interested Parties:

In March 2015, the Department began the rulemaking process to add and amend sections to Chapter 388-110 WAC to comply and be consistent with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services building requirements set forth for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS Final Rule 42 CFR).

The department is also adding and amending sections to the chapter 388-110 to include building requirements of lockable doors to the Enhanced Adult Residential Care (EARC) and Adult Residential Care (ARC) contract regulations. The rule making will be limited to the physical requirements sections and the associated definitions.

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 AL TSA 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:

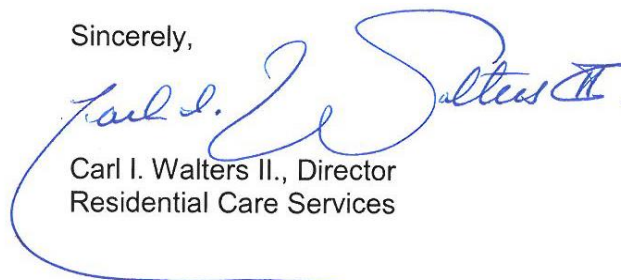
*Date: June 9, 2015 Time: 10:00 a.m.*  
*Location: Office Building 2 (DSHS Headquarters)*  
*1115 Washington*  
*Olympia, WA 98504*

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](mailto:DSHSRPAURulesCoordinator@dshs.wa.gov)  
*DSHS Rules Coordinator /RPAU*  
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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 Jeanette K. Childress, Assisted Living Facility Policy Program Manager at (360) 725-2591 or email at [childjk@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:childjk@dshs.wa.gov)

Sincerely,



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