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ALTSA: ALF #2022-009 CR103E FILED FOR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY ADMINISTRATOR TRAINING EMERGENCY RULE MAKING

Dear Assisted Living Facility Administrator and Interested Parties:

This message is to announce the filing of a CR-103E (Emergency Rule) to extend emergency rules in Chapter 388-78A WAC of the Assisted Living Facility licensing rules.

The original emergency rules suspended administrator training requirements in WACs 388-78A -2524(1), 388-78A-2525(1), and 388-78A-2526(1). These emergency rules became effective April 23, 2020, expired August 21, 2020, and were published in <u>WSR</u> 20-10-005.

The second emergency rules extended the suspension of the administrator training requirements, became effective August 20, 2020, expired December 18, 2020, and were published in <u>WSR 20-18-001</u>.

The third emergency rules extended the suspension of the administrator training requirements, became effective December 16, 2020, expired April 15, 2021, and were published in <u>WSR 21-01-129</u>.

This fourth emergency rules also extend the suspension of the administrator training requirements and became effective April 15, 2020, expired August 13, 2021, and were published in <u>WSR 21-09-046</u>.

The Department of Social and Health Services is extending the suspension retroactive to August 13, 2021 to assure Assisted Living Facilities are not significantly impeded during the hiring process due to an administrator's inability to obtain a certificate of completion of a recognized administrator training as referenced in WAC 388-78A-2521. The suspension is effective retroactively from August 13, 2021 with an expiration date of June 7, 2022 and is published in <a href="https://www.wsc.edu/wsc.e

If you have any questions, please contact <u>Jeanette Childress</u>, LTC Policy Program Manager, at (360) 764-9804.

Sincerely.

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