



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

October 29, 2015

AL TSA: CCRSS #2015-008
CR 102 FILED TO PROPOSE ADDING & AMENDING SECTIONS
TO CHAPTER 388-101

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports Provider:

In June 2015, the Department began the rulemaking process to add and amend sections to Chapter 388-101 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) for Certified Community Residential Services and Supports (CCRSS).

Recently, the Department filed a CR-102, a more formal phase of the rule making process. The CR-102, including proposed rule language, is available on the Aging and Long Term Services Administration (AL TSA) professional page for CCRSS providers.

The address is <https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-certified-community-residential-setting-providers>.

These proposed changes are the result of the following legislation:

- House Bill 1307 passed during this legislative session and adds progressive enforcement options to the WAC chapter and allows RCS to be more flexible with remedies.
- Substitute Senate Bill 5600 passed during this legislative session and changed portions of the definition of abuse.
- Initiative 1163 passed in 2011 but had some requirements for supported living staff around training and fingerprint checks that do not go into effect until January 2016.

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 schedule:

Date: November 24, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Office Building 2 (DSHS Headquarters)
1115 Washington
Olympia, WA 98504

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You must submit written comments by 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date, to the following:
Email - Jennisha Johnson at: DSHSRPAURulesCoordinator@dshs.wa.gov
or by mail to:

**DSHS Rules Coordinator /RPAU
PO Box 45850
Olympia WA, 98504-5850**

Public parking is available at 11th and Jefferson Streets. Directions to Office Building 2 can be found at:

http://www.icsew.wa.gov/meetings/agendas/2015/2015Jan20_OB2DrivingDirections.pdf

If you have any questions about the proposed rules, please contact Penny Rarick, CCRSS Policy Program Manager, at 360-725-3210 or at penny.rarick@dshs.wa.gov

Sincerely,



Candace Goehring, Director
Residential Care Services

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