



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.310)**

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Agency: Department of Children, Youth, and Families

Subject of possible rule making: Access to life-saving medication during emergencies in group care settings and other related rules.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapters 13.34 and 74.13 RCW, RCW 74.15.030(2), 74.15.311(2), 74.13.032, 13.04.011, 74.13.020, 13.34.030, 74.13.031, 13.34.145, 74.15.311, 74.15.030.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: DCYF needs to amend this rule in order to take enforcement action in the event a licensee doesn't follow this it; as this rule change could potentially save lives. Due to the rising number of cases of opioid overdoses in our state, including affected foster care children and youth, life-saving medication such as naloxone (Narcan) must be available as an effective way to swiftly reverse the effects of an overdose in group care facilities. In addition, requiring all other life-saving medication (e.g., rescue inhalers, epi-pens, insulin) to be accessible during emergencies will only increase the likelihood of saving lives in group care facilities during medical emergencies.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Collaborative

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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