



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF)

Subject of possible rule making: DCYF will be making changes to the Foster Care Rate Assessment (FCRA) WACs in chapter 110-50 WAC and other related rules. The WAC revisions will allow DCYF to revise the foster care maintenance levels and rates and the standardized process that will be used to determine the level and rate paid to licensed foster parents. The standardized process will determine the child's or youth's level and rate based on their physical, mental health, and behavioral needs. The WACs will also be reorganized and redundancy removed, decreasing the number of FCRA WACs.

DCYF will also be revising the Placement WACs in chapter 110-50 WAC and other related rules regarding child placing agencies (CPAs) expectations and reimbursement as they relate to the revised foster care maintenance levels and rates in chapter WAC 110-50.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW [43.216.065](#) and RCW [74.13.031](#)

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The WAC revisions will allow DCYF to pay additional levels of foster care maintenance payments based on the specific needs of the child or youth. The changes to the standardized assessment tool will be centered on the child's or youth's needs, not on the home they are placed in.

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

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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