



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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

Subject of possible rule making: The DCYF Licensing Division will be amending rules to inform providers how prevent harm to children. The following WACs refer to prohibited behavior, discipline, and physical removal of children and need to be revised:

- WAC 110-300-0331 Prohibited behavior, discipline, and physical removal of children.
- WAC 110-301-0331 Prohibited behavior, discipline, and physical removal of children.
- WAC 110-302-0331 Prohibited behavior, discipline, and physical removal of children.
- Other related rules

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 42.56 RCW, RCW 43.215.070, RCW 43.215.201, RCW 43.216.055, RCW 43.216.065 and RCW 43.216.742

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The language of the WAC does not clearly forbid childcare providers from harming children. This rule requires an immediate and permanent change to the WAC chapters to protect children from harm.

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)

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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