



RULE-MAKING ORDER PERMANENT RULE ONLY

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(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Home and Community Living Administration, WA Cares Fund

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

- ☒ 31 days after filing.
☐ Other (specify) _____ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: The purpose of this filing is to adopt amendments to chapter 388-116 WAC to allow additional adaptive equipment and technology items, add and clarify definitions for the chapter, address questions related to minimum qualifications, reduce background check burden for provider applicants and long-term services and supports providers, clarify exception to rule requirements, and clarify responsibility of fees related to administrative hearings.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:

Repealed:

Amended: 388-116-1010, 388-116-3020, 388-116-3030, 388-116-3080, 388-116-5030

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 50B.04.020(k), & 50B.04.020(l)

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 26-07-051 on March 16, 2026 (date).

1. Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: WAC 388-116-1010
 - a. Removed consumer-to-consumer online platform definition;
 - b. Removed financial management services vendor definition; and
 - c. Removed reimbursement definition.
2. Struck proposed revisions to WAC 388-116-4030

The changes were made because additional consideration is needed for the organization and language related to reimbursements. The department decided not to proceed with those amendments for this rulemaking project.

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
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**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New	_____	Amended	<u>5</u>	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	_____	Amended	<u>1</u>	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Pilot rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Other alternative rule making:	New	_____	Amended	<u>6</u>	Repealed	_____

Date Adopted: June 16, 2026

Name: Lisa Yanagida

Title: DSHS Chief of Staff

Signature:

On behalf of Lisa Yanagida

