RULE-MAKING ORDER
PERMANENT RULE ONLY

CR-103P (December 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

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WSR 26-23-062

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) January 1, 2027 **(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 rulemaking project revises rules related to minimum qualifications for two types of long-term services and supports providers, and maximum rates for approved services. The minimum qualification changes are for home safety evaluation providers and education and consultation providers. Maximum rates are adjusted for inflation for calendar year 2027

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
Repealed:
Amended: WAC 388-116-3020 and 388-116-4020
Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 50B.04.020(3)(k)

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 26-19-128 on September 22, 2026 (date).

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: None

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. No descriptive text.

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Federal statute:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Federal rules or standards:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____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	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

	New	____	Amended	2	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	2	Repealed	____

Date Adopted: November 17, 2026	**Signature:**
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