



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103 (June 2004) (Implements RCW 34.05.360)

Agency: Department of Labor & Industries

- Permanent Rule
 Emergency Rule

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

- 31 days after filing.
 Other (specify) 10/1/2005 (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
 Later (specify) _____

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

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: Physician Assistants and Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Massage Therapy Permanent Rules This rulemaking is being adopted in response to a petition to amend WAC 296-23-220 to allow physician assistants to order physical therapy. WAC 296-23-220, WAC 296-23-230, and WAC 296-23-250 will be amended to allow physician assistants to order physical therapy, occupational therapy, and massage therapy for the attending doctor without requiring a co-signature by the supervising physician.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed: None
 Amended: WAC 296-23-220, WAC 296-23-230, WAC 296-23-250
 Suspended: None

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 51.04.020 and RCW 51.04.030

Other authority : None

PERMANENT RULE ONLY (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 05-11-060 on May 17, 2005 (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: Since the rule will impose no cost on business, no cost benefit analysis was prepared.

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EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
 That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding:

Date adopted: August 30, 2005

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)
Gary K. Weeks

SIGNATURE

TITLE
Director

CODE REVISER USE ONLY
WSR 05-18-030

**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	<u>3</u>	Repealed	_____
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The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:

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

New	_____	Amended	<u>3</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	_____	Repealed	_____