



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Labor & Industries

Subject of possible rule making: Pursuant to House Bill 1666 (Chapter 275, Laws of 2007), repealing the sunset of the expansion of duties of advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNP) under Title 51 RCW, the department is reviewing its rules for possible changes.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: HB 1666 (Chapter 275, Laws of 2007), RCW 51.04.020, RCW 51.04.030

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: HB 1666 repealed the sunset of SHB 1691 (Laws of 2004) allowing ARNPs to permanently be attending providers. The department deleted this expiration via an emergency rule in WAC 296-23-241. This rulemaking will be to permanently adopt this change and review of the rules for other necessary changes.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: This law makes permanent the status of an ARNP that is specific to Washington workers' compensation benefits and is governed by Title 51 RCW, Washington's Industrial Insurance Act. There are no other state or federal agencies responsible for interpreting and enforcing the provisions of this Act.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study

Other (describe) Parties interested in participating in the development of these rules may contact the person listed below. The public may also participate by providing written comments during the comment period or giving oral testimony at public hearings. The rule will be developed in consultation with major stakeholders, including the Workers' Compensation Advisory Committee.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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