



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) 2/22/08 (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: The earlier effective date is necessary because of imminent peril to public health safety or welfare as described in HB 1722.

Purpose: House Bill 1722 (Chapter 263, Laws of 2007) which directs the department to accept the signature of a physician's assistants on any certificate, card, form, or other documentation required by the department. A PA may not rate a worker's permanent partial disability under RCW 51.32.055 The department must amend these rules to allow PAs signature on previously unaccepted forms.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed: WAC 296-20-01502
 Amended: WAC 296-20-01002, WAC 296-20-01501, WAC 296-20-06101
 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: HB 1722 Chapter 263, Laws of 2007 RCW 51.04.020 and RCW 51.040.030

Other authority :

PERMANENT RULE ONLY (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 07-24-069 on 12/4/07

Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

References to the self-insured "physician's initial report" were changed to "provider's initial report". Also "attending doctor's report" was renamed "attending provider's report". These are not substantive changes

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

Name: _____ phone () _____
 Address: _____ fax () _____
 e-mail _____

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: February 5, 2008

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)

Judy Schurke

SIGNATURE

TITLE

Director

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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	<u>4</u>	Repealed	_____

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

New	_____	Amended	<u>4</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	_____	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>4</u>	Repealed	_____