



RULE-MAKING ORDER

CR-103P (May 2009)
(Implements RCW 34.05.360)

Agency: L&I

Permanent Rule Only

Effective date of rule:

Permanent Rules

31 days after filing.

Other (specify) 1/1/2015 (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: Previously, Athletic Trainers' scope of practice was limited to care provided to athletes. In 2014, the Legislature passed a new law (HB 2430) expanding Athletic Trainers (AT) scope of practice to include treatment of injured workers. In April 2014, the AT organization requested that L&I update its reimbursement rules, consistent with their expanded scope of practice, to allow reimbursement for AT services to injured workers. The effect of the rule change would be to expand the pool of licensed and qualified providers who could (within their scope of practice) provide treatment to injured workers.

Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed:

Amended: WAC 296-21-290 Physical medicine and WAC 296-23-220 Physical therapy rules

Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 51.04.020, RCW 51.04.030

Other authority :

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 14-19-086 on 9/16/2014.

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

Reference to RCW 18.74.180(3)(a) was added to clarify the level of supervision required of a physical therapist assistant and reference to RCW 18.250.010(4)(v) was added to clarify the level of supervision required of an athletic trainer. One housekeeping change was made in WAC 296-21-290 changing registered physical therapist to licensed physical therapist.

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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Date adopted: 11/18/2014

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A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Federal rules or standards:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>2</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>

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

	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>2</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:

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

	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
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The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Pilot rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>
Other alternative rule making:	New	<u>0</u>	Amended	<u>0</u>	Repealed	<u>0</u>