

# Negotiated Rule Making (NRM)

Partnering So Children,  
Youth & Families Can **THRIVE**

## What is Negotiated Rule Making (NRM):

As required under the D.S. Settlement Agreement, the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) will be amending both the Group Care (110-145) and Foster Care (110-148) Washington Administrative Code (WAC). For more information on the D.S. Settlement Agreement, go to <https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/practice/practice-improvement/ds-settlement>. Negotiated Rule Making (NRM) is a collaborative way to develop rules by seeking consensus from groups made up of similar parties that are impacted by the rules.

## ? WHY PARTICIPATE IN NRM:

Participating in NRM provides a great opportunity to impact the future of how youth experience the foster care system.

- ▶ Lead the charge in advocating for youth rights.
- ▶ Be the voice of your own lived experiences.
- ▶ Build reasoning, decision making, and leadership skills.
- ▶ Play a vital role in social welfare transformation.

## ☺ NRM TIME COMMITMENT:

- ▶ Semi-monthly, 2-hour Zoom meetings (Sept. 2023 - Sept. 2024)
- ▶ Monthly, 2-day in-person meetings (Jan. 2024 - June 2024)

## ☆ INCENTIVES:

- ▶ \$90 per Zoom meeting
- ▶ \$200 per in-person meeting
- ▶ Travel, lodging, and food accommodations for in-person meetings

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## NRM PARTICIPANT KICK-OFF ORIENTATION

**Sept. 14, 2023 | 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.**

*Please contact Lily Cory  
for questions and to register.*

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