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□ 31 days after filing.
Other (specify) (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: This amendment enables DCYF to take enforcement action in the event a licensee doesn't ensure lifesaving medication is available in emergencies. This rule is intended to save lives. In July 2022, an identical rule was updated in the Licensing Requirements for Child Foster Homes (WAC 110-148-1565). Due to the rising number of cases of opioid overdoses in our state, including affected foster care children and youth, life-saving medication such as naloxone (Narcan) must be available as an effective way to swiftly reverse the effects of an overdose in group care facilities. In addition, requiring all other life-saving medication (e.g., rescue inhalers, epi-pens, insulin) to be accessible during emergencies will only increase the likelihood of saving lives in a group care facilities during medical emergencies.
Citation of rules affected by this order:
New:
Repealed:
Amended: WAC 110-145-1850 Suspended:
Statutory authority for adoption:
Chapters 13.34 and 74.13 RCW, RCW 74.15.030(2), 74.15.311(2), 74.13.032, 13.04.011, 74.13.020, 13.34.030, 74.13.031, 13.34.145, 74.15.311, 74.15.030
Other authority:
PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)
Adopted under notice filed as WSR 23-09-075 on April 19, 2023 (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:
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The number of sections adopted in order to comply	with:					
Federal statute:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Federal rules or standards:	New		Amended		Repealed	
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Negotiated rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Pilot rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Other alternative rule making:	New		Amended		Repealed	
Date Adopted: July 18, 2023	Sig	gnature:				
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Title: DCYF Rules Coordinator						

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-14-078, filed 6/29/18, effective 7/1/18)

- WAC 110-145-1850 What requirements are there for the storage of medications? (1) Prescription and over-the-counter medications must be kept in a locked container in a manner that minimizes the risks for medication errors.
- (2) Human medication and animal medication must be kept separate from each other and in locked containers.
 - (3) Life-saving medications must be accessible in an emergency.

[1] OTS-4295.1