



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF)

Subject of possible rule making: WAC 110-148-1305 – What definitions do I need to know to understand this chapter? WAC 110-148-1365 – What are the personal requirements for foster parents? Other related rules.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCWs 34.05.220, 43.216.020 and 43.216.065

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: DCYF is required to develop a contract and licensing category for Professional Therapeutic Foster Care (PTFC) according to the D.S. Settlement Agreement. The Licensing Division (LD) must update sections of chapter 110-148 WAC to satisfy this legal requirement. Currently, foster family home licensing rules do not allow foster care payments to be the sole income of a licensed foster family home. Accordingly, to meet the terms of the Settlement Agreement, LD must remove this barrier in licensing rules and add new language describing the existence, eligibility, and licensing requirements for Professional Therapeutic Foster Parents.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: N/A

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

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) Collaborative

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