



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

**CR-101 (June 2004)**  
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)  
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

**Agency:** Department of Health- Board of Pharmacy

**Subject of possible rule making:** WAC 246-861-XXX Suicide Prevention Education. Creating a new section to establish a one-time continuing education requirement for pharmacists in suicide prevention.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 18.64.005(8), and Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 2793 (Chapter 90, Laws of 2016)

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** E2SHB 2793 directs the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (Commission) to adopt rules to implement a one-time continuing education and training requirement for pharmacists on suicide prevention education. The Commission may establish in rule a 3 or 6 hour requirement for suicide prevention education to include assessment of issues related to imminent harm by lethal means.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:**  
None.

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

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

**How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:**

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

Interested parties may participate in the development of draft rules prior to formal proposal by joining the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission's listserv, attending workshops, and providing input on draft and proposed rules. Interested parties can receive information on how to participate by contacting Brett Lorentson, Department of Health, PO Box 47852, Olympia WA 98504-7852, Phone: (360) 236-4611, Fax: (360) 236-2260 or by Email: [wspqac@doh.wa.gov](mailto:wspqac@doh.wa.gov). Join public listserv for rule activities at: <http://listserv.wa.gov/cgi-bin/wa?SUBED1=PQAC-RULES&A=1>

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