

## HIV RULE REVIEW STAKEHOLDER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Meeting Purpose: Gain community, public health, and other perspectives on proposed changes to state rules designed to:

1. Increase the proportion of HIV-infected persons who know their HIV status.
2. Increase the proportion of persons exposed to HIV who are informed of that exposure.
3. Align with CDC recommendations to routinely offer HIV diagnostic testing to everyone, ages 13-64, in all healthcare settings.
4. Ensure that timely and effective partner notification services are provided to all persons newly diagnosed with HIV.

Rules considered in this review include:

- WAC 246-100-011 – Communicable disease definitions.
- WAC 246-100-072 -- Rules for notification of partners at risk of HIV infection.
- WAC 246-100-207 – Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing – Ordering – Laboratory screening – Interpretation – Reporting.
- WAC 246-100-208 – Counseling standards – AIDS counseling.
- WAC 249-100-209 – Counseling standards -- Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) pretest counseling – HIV post-test counseling.

Other sections of WAC 246-100 may be added to this review as necessary.

*Draft 2 of Proposed Changes* will be available at:

[http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/HIV\\_AIDS/Prev\\_Edu/policyreview.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/HIV_AIDS/Prev_Edu/policyreview.htm)

A copy of the CDC “Revised Recommendations for HIV Testing of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Healthcare Settings” is available at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5514a1.htm>

To obtain a printed copy of *Draft 2 of Proposed Changes* please contact Beth Watkins at 360-236-3424 or at [beth.watkins@doh.wa.gov](mailto:beth.watkins@doh.wa.gov).

### **Meeting dates, times and locations are presented below.**

Date:	May 21, 2009	Date:	June 16, 2009
Time:	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Time:	12 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Location:	Washington State Department of Health, Point Plaza East Room 152/153 310 Israel Road S.E. Tumwater, Washington 98501	Location:	Red Lion River Inn Clearwater Room 700 North Division Spokane, Washington 99202

Meeting locations will be barrier free. If you need special accommodations, please contact Beth Watkins by May 18, 2009 at 360-236-3424. For directions to DOH see

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/DOHDirections/PointPlaza.htm>

### Written Comments

Comments received by June 30, 2009 will be considered. Comments may be sent by regular mail, fax or email to:

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For e-mail submissions, please include HIV Rule Review in the Subject line.