



OTP RULE-MAKING KICKOFF WORKSHOP #1

Health Systems Quality Assurance Office of Community Health Systems Facilities Program



The Washington State Department of Health headquarters are built on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples, including the Nisqually and Chehalis Tribes.

We acknowledge the systemic policies of genocide, relocation, and assimilation that have and continue to impact many Indigenous/Native American families. This land was occupied, and its traditional people were displaced by settlers and the United States military.

This acknowledgement does not take the place of authentic relationships with Indigenous communities but serves as a first step in honoring the land we are on.



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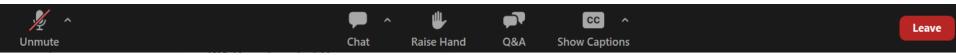
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Zoom 101



- Host, panelists, and attendees
- If you need/want captions
- If you require translations or other formats
- If you want to ask a question/add a comment
 - Chat will be followed as closely as possible. Comments will be logged in notes and not necessarily responded to "live".
 - Raise your hand if you wish to speak.
 - The Q and A will serve as a "Parking lot". Please post questions here and at the end of the workshop we will get to as many as we can "live" and respond to the remaining in the session notes that will go out later this week.
 - More information/tutorials can be found at <u>Zoom Learning</u> <u>Center</u>

Today's Agenda

- Rule-making overview
- Review corrections to inaccurate citations
 - General agency licensure and certification
 - Certification standards for withdrawal management
- Review and discuss OTP requirements:
 - OTP Definition
 - OTP General
 - OTP Certification requirements
- Next Steps

- Workshops are open to all and attended by many. Each participant brings unique experiences to contribute to the policy making process.
 - Be respectful
 - Listen to understand
- Rules set minimum standards. We must address items required by legislation and can add language necessary for health and safety
- When considering a proposed standard think about:
 - How the department would be able to enforce the proposed standard.
 - Costs.
 - Administrative burden.
 - Existing requirements (that might conflict or be duplicative).
 - Other ways a standard has oversight (contracts, MCOs, etc...).

- The Process of Rule-making
 - CR-101 Initiating rulemaking
 - CR-102 Formally proposing the rule and holding the public hearing
 - CR-103 Final adoption of the rule
- Scope of rule-making:
 - General cleanup
 - Explore recommendations and input from interested parties
 - Align with federal OTP regulations, remove duplication
 - Implement <u>2E2SSB 5536</u> to develop rules for fixed-site medication units.

- How rule-making workshops will be conducted:
 - Held once a week, except for the week of October 9th.
 - Workshops are progressive
 - September 26; October 3, 18, 24, 31; If needed, November 7, 14.
- Notices and communication:
 - Zoom registration link, notes, and other materials will be sent out the week prior to each meeting via GovDelivery.
 - Workshop information will also be posted to the department's BHA Rules in Progress webpage.
- Always reach out to us if you think of something after the workshop or didn't get the opportunity to share.
- Contact: michelle.weatherly@doh.wa.gov

• Goal is to:

- Use these fall workshops to develop proposed language.
- Finalize proposed language for the CR 102 by spring 2024.
- Hold a public hearing in late spring 2024.
- Finalize the rule by summer of 2024.

Work Toward the Common Goal

Improve existing opioid treatment program licensing and certification standards to support agencies in treating individuals for opioid use disorder.

Citation Correction – WAC 246-341-0300

Draft Rule Language	Explanation
(4) Initial licensure of a	Technical fix to correct an
behavioral health agency –	inaccurate citation. Doesn't
Branch site. To add a branch	change any requirements.
site, an existing behavioral	
health agency shall meet the	The numbering changed in the
application requirements in	beginning of this section from
subsection (12)(a) through (c)	subsection (1) to (2), but the
of this section and submit to	reference was not corrected in
the department:	subsection (4).

Citation Correction – WAC 246-341-1100

Draft Rule Language	Explanation
(3)(c) An agency certified for	Technical fix to correct WAC
withdrawal management services	reference.
must meet the certification	WAC 246-341-1104 was
standards for residential and	repealed for the sake of
inpatient behavioral health	numbering but was not
services in WAC 246-341-	corrected here.
1104 246-341-1105 and the	WAC 246-341-1105 -
individual service requirements	residential and inpatient
for inpatient and residential	behavioral health services, is
substance use disorder services in	the correct reference.
WAC <u>246-341-1108</u> .	

OTP Definition – WAC 246-341-0200

Draft Rule Language	Points to Consider
"Opioid treatment program" means the same as defined in RCW 71.24.590.	Definition from statute – RCW 71.24.590 A program that engages in the treatment of opioid use disorder with medications approved by the United States food and drug administration for the treatment of opioid use disorder and reversal of opioid overdose and provides a comprehensive range of medical and rehabilitative services.

Workbook Review

WAC 246-341-1000 - OTP General

Next Steps

- Follow up on any action items from this workshop
- Send out notes, slides, and agenda for next workshop
- Next workshop:

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Resources

- BHA Rules In Progress Webpage
- Want to get notifications directly? <u>Subscribe to GovDelivery!</u> Enter your email address and then under Health Systems Quality Assurance (HSQA), select Opioid Treatment Programs and Behavioral Health Integration.
- Chapter 246-341 WAC BHA licensing and certification
- RCW 71.24.590 OTP licensing or certification by department
- <u>2E2SSB 5536</u> Controlled Substances, counterfeit substances, legend drugs, and drug paraphernalia – Possession and treatment.
- 42 Code of Federal Regulations Part 8 Federal Opioid Treatment Standards
- Federal Opioid Treatment Program Guidelines, 2015.





QUESTIONS?

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