



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2012)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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Agency: Department of Health

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR ; or
- Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR ; or
- Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).

- Original Notice
- Supplemental Notice to WSR
- Continuance of WSR

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject)

WAC 246-810-990 Counselors fees and renewal cycle. Increasing fees for agency affiliated counselor, certified counselor, and certified advisor credentials.

Hearing location(s): Department of Health
Point Plaza East, Room 152/153
310 Israel Road SE
Tumwater, Washington 98501

Date: 2/4/2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Submit written comments to:

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fax 360-236-4626 by (date) 02/04/2014

Assistance for persons with disabilities: Contact

Sherry Thomas by 01/21/2014

TTY (800) 833-6388 or () 711

Date of intended adoption: 02/11/2014

(Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

The proposed rule increases application, renewal and expired reissuance fees for three counselor credentials: agency affiliated counselor, certified counselor, and certified advisor. These fee increases are needed to fully fund core credentialing, discipline, and regulatory activities.

Reasons supporting proposal:

RCW 43.70.250 requires the department to charge sufficient fees to cover the costs of administering each profession. The proposed fees meet this requirement by increasing revenue to cover costs. These professions started fiscal year 2011 with a deficit, partly because the number of applicants was fewer than anticipated. Mounting discipline costs have added to the problem of insufficient revenue. The proposed fees have been determined through fee analyses to support the costs of doing business. The operating budget, 3ESSB 5034 (2013 2nd Special Session) authorized these fee increases.

Statutory authority for adoption:

RCW 43.70.250, 18.19.050, 43.70.110, 3ESSB5034 (2013)

Statute being implemented:

RCW 43.70.250, 18.19.050, 43.70.110, 3ESSB5034 (2013)

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
 - Federal Court Decision? Yes No
 - State Court Decision? Yes No
- If yes, CITATION:

DATE 12/20/2013

NAME (type or print)

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for John Wiesman, DrPH, MPH

TITLE

Deputy Secretary for Secretary of Health

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DATE: **December 20, 2013**

TIME: **3:23 PM**

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Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

None

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Department of Health

- Private
- Public
- Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

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Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW or has a school district fiscal impact statement been prepared under section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 2012?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone

fax

e-mail

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

A small business economic impact statement (SBEIS) was not prepared. Under RCW 19.85.025 and 34.05.310(4)(f), a SBEIS is not required for proposed rules that set or adjust fees or rates pursuant to legislative standards.

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

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No: Please explain: The agency did not complete a cost-benefit analysis under RCW 34.05.238. RCW 34.05.328(5)(b)(vi) exempts rules that set or adjust fees or rates pursuant to legislative standards.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 11-20-092, filed 10/4/11, effective 12/1/11)

WAC 246-810-990 Counselors fees and renewal cycle. (1) Under chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 2, a counselor must renew his or her credential every year on the practitioner's birthday.

(2) Any separate examination fees are the responsibility of the applicant.

Title	Fee
(3) The following nonrefundable fees will be charged for registered hypnotherapist:	
Application and registration	155.00
Renewal	80.00
Late renewal penalty	75.00
Expired registration reissuance	75.00
Duplicate registration	30.00
Certification of registration	30.00
 (4) The following nonrefundable fees will be charged for certified counselor:	
Application and certification	((110.00))
	<u>160.00</u>
Examination or reexamination	85.00
Renewal	((90.00))
	<u>140.00</u>
Late renewal penalty	50.00
Expired credential reissuance	((50.00))
	<u>100.00</u>
Duplicate credential	15.00
Certification of credential	15.00
 (5) The following nonrefundable fees will be charged for certified adviser:	
Application and certification	((80.00))
	<u>130.00</u>
Examination or reexamination	85.00
Renewal	((65.00))
	<u>115.00</u>
Late renewal penalty	50.00
Expired credential reissuance	((50.00))
	<u>100.00</u>
Duplicate credential	15.00
Certification of credential	15.00
 (6) The following nonrefundable fees will be charged for registered agency affiliated counselor:	
Application and registration	((50.00))
	<u>60.00</u>
Renewal	((40.00))
	<u>50.00</u>
Late renewal penalty	40.00

Title	Fee
Expired registration reissuance	((40.00)) <u>50.00</u>
Duplicate registration	15.00
Certification of registration	15.00