



**Hospice services – standards and need forecasting, WAC 246-310-290
June 2010**

Activity	Expected Timeline	Date Completed
File CR-101	May 1, 2010	May 1, 2010
Hospice rules workshop # 1	June 29, 2010	June 29, 2010
Hospice rules workshop # 2	July 28, 2010	
Hospice rules workshop # 3	August 26, 2010	
Hospice rules workshop # 4	September 27, 2010	
Draft revised Hospice rules	October 18, 2010	
Conduct informal stakeholder review of draft rules	November 1, 2010	
Revise draft rules based on stakeholder comments	November 15, 2010	
Finalize draft rule and required analyses	December 1, 2010	
File CR 102	January 10, 2011	
Public Hearing	February 23, 2011	
Respond to stakeholder comments, prepare Concise Explanatory Statement	March 9, 2011	
File CR 103	April 8, 2011	
Rule Effective	May 9, 2011	

Purpose:

The purpose of opening WAC 246-310-290 is to update the need forecasting methodology for hospice services by incorporating stakeholder input gained through various rules workshops and comment opportunities.

Recent Issues and Activities:

The first rules workshop will be held on June 29, 2010. The department will work with stakeholders to map out works to be completed during the next four workshops.

Next Steps:

The department will host rules workshop # 2 July 28, 2010.

For detailed information about the Hospice rule revision process, please see the Department of Health website at <http://www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/FSL/CertNeed/Hospice.htm> or contact rules coordinator John Hilger, at 360-236-2929 or email john.hilger@doh.wa.gov