



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (October 2017)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

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Agency: Department of Health- Board of Denturists

Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 246-812 WAC Board of Denturists. The Board of Denturists (board) is considering amending the infection control standards purpose statement in WAC 246-812-501 to ensure policies and procedures are maintained. The board is also considering establishing new sections of rules for requirements for prefabricated implant abutments.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 18.30.065

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The rule amendment is being considered by the board to ensure that a licensed denturist develop and maintain written infection control policies and procedures appropriate for the denturist services provided by the facility.

The board is also considering adding new rules for the use of prefabricated implant abutments. The board received a question asking if a denturist could place a prefabricated implant abutment. Three members of the board serve on the Dental Collaboration Committee with Dental Quality Assurance and Dental Hygiene Examining Committee members. The Dental Collaboration Committee met with interested individuals discussing placement of prefabricated implant abutments by denturists. The committee asked the board to further evaluate chapter 18.30 RCW and 246-812 WAC related to the scope of practice. The board determined that a CR-101 be filed to start the official rule making process to consider clarifying when a denturist can place the abutment.

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

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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