



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Office of the Insurance Commissioner

Subject of possible rule making: Attestation of transparency tools for consumer information on health care cost and quality

Insurance Commissioner Matter No. R 2015-03

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 48.02.060 and 48.43.007

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: ESSB 6228, passed during the 2014 legislative session, required health plan issuers in Washington to attest to the office of the insurance commissioner that their member transparency tools meet the requirements in the bill and that access to the tools is available on the issuers home page within the health plan's secured member web site. This proposed rulemaking is intended to direct health plan issuers to file with OIC one annual attestation for each market level of plans offered in Washington (e.g., individual, small group and large group). The anticipated rule will provide guidance as to how the attestation(s) should be provided to OIC.

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

X Other (describe) Submit written comments by: July 1, 2015.

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How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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