Agency: Office of the Insurance Commissioner

Subject of possible rule making: Health Plan Coverage of Reproductive Healthcare and Contraception

Insurance Commissioner Matter R 2019-07-

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 48.02.060, RCW 48.43.072, and RCW 48.43.073

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: In 2018, SSB 6129 passed to improve access to reproductive health care and in 2019, the legislature passed 2SSB 5602 (Chapter 399, Laws of 2019) which eliminated barriers to access to reproductive health care. Together, these bills ensure access to reproductive health care services, contraceptive supplies, sterilizations, preventative services, abortion services, breast pumps and prenatal vitamins and also ensure that reproductive health care services and supplies are provided without discrimination. The purpose of this rulemaking is to update the WACs and add new sections to align with Chapter 399, Laws of 2019 (2SSB 5602) amending RCW 48.43.072 and adding sections into RCW 48.43. It is expected that this rulemaking will join with current rulemaking in Insurance Commissioner Matter R 2018-10 in the CR-102 stage, resulting in one rule concerning access to reproductive healthcare.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Not applicable

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

☐ Negotiated rule making
☐ Pilot rule making
☐ Agency study
☒ Other (describe) Submit written comments by

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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