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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
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**CR-103P (PERMANENT RULE) FILED TO AMEND SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 388-76 WAC,
ADULT FAMILY HOME MINIMUM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

Dear Adult Family Home Provider:

The Department of Social and Health Services (department) filed a CR-103P on February 7, 2025, adopting amendments to Chapter 388-76 WAC (Adult Family Home Minimum Licensing Requirements). The rule change was requested by a member of the community. The adopted changes require AFH providers to update their resident medication disposal policy to address:

- Required timeframes for medication disposal.
- Stopping medication delivery and fulfillment when a resident permanently leaves the facility.
- Helping with the transfer of the resident's medication to their new setting, when needed.
- Documenting medication disposal.

The adopted rules are published in the Washington State Register under WSR [25-05-021](#). The department held a public hearing on January 7, 2025. During the comment period we received an internal comment which prompted us to make minor edits to the proposed rules as filed in the CR-102. You can find a copy of the Concise Explanatory Statement [here](#).

The permanent rule will become effective March 10, 2025. The permanent rule change will not appear online for at least two weeks after the rule is published in the Washington State Register.

If you have any questions, please Colleen Jensen, Policy Program Manager at 564-999-3182 or colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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