

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Aging and Long-Term Support Administration PO Box 45600, Olympia, Washington 98504-5600

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ALTSA: CCRSS #2025-009 CR-103P (PERMANENT RULE) FILED TO AMEND SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 388-101 WAC, CERTIFIED COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

Dear Certified Community Residential Services and Supports (CCRSS) Provider:

The Department of Social and Health Services (department) filed a CR-103P on March 25, 2025, to amend WAC 388-101-3020, Compliance and adding a new section WAC 388-101-30201, Infection control, to Chapter 388-101 WAC (Certified Community Residential Services and Supports). The adopted changes require CCRSS providers to:

- Comply with nationally recognized infection control standards.
- Develop and implement infection control procedures.
- Support staff with necessary training, supplies, equipment, and protective clothing.
- Follow local health jurisdiction directions and recommendations.
- Restrict a staff person's contact with clients to control and prevent infection spread.

The adopted rules are published in the Washington State Register under WSR 25-08-021. The department held a public hearing on March 10, 2025. During the comment period we received no comments from interested parties. You can find a copy of the Concise Explanatory Statement here.

The permanent rule will become effective April 25, 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 contact Lindsey Lozoskie, Policy Project Manager at rcspolicy@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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