



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2012)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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Agency: Department of Health- Veterinary Board of Governors

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 14-21-010 ; or
- Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _ ; or
- Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).

- Original Notice
- Supplemental Notice to WSR 16-01-043
- Continuance of WSR

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject)

WAC 246-933-420 Basic requirement amount. The Veterinary Board of Governors is offering a supplementary proposal to WSR 16-01-043 filed on December 9, 2015 revising an initial proposal for veterinary continuing education (CE) rules. The new proposal will require a minimum of 10 hours of CE in conventional veterinary medicine and allowing up to 20 hours of complementary or alternative veterinary medicine (CAVM) in any three year reporting period.

Hearing location(s): Department of Health
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Date: 9/19/16 Time: 10:00 am

Submit written comments to:

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Date of intended adoption: 09/19/2016

(Note: This is **NOT** the **effective** date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:

After the public hearing on March 7, 2016 the board decided to revise the proposal to limit CAVM CE to 20 hours and require a minimum of 10 hours in conventional veterinary medicine for every three year CE reporting period. The board's current rules related to continuing education do not address criteria for the approval of CAVM courses. Revising rules will provide clarity to licensees and continuing education providers regarding how many hours of CAVM continuing education are allowed. The rule does not change the total number of CE hours required.

Reasons supporting proposal:

The board originally proposed a ten hour limit on the number of veterinary CAVM CE hours that can be earned in any three year reporting period. After stakeholder feedback from multiple veterinary practitioners who practice solely in CAVM, the board decided to revisit the proposal. The board now proposes to establish a twenty hour limit on CAVM continuing education and add a ten hour minimum requirement for conventional medicine. The board finds that doing so would not result in a reduction in the quality of care provided and supports the consumer's choices about what kind of care they seek.

Statutory authority for adoption:

RCW 18.92.030

Statute being implemented:

RCW 18.92.030

Is rule necessary because of a:

- Federal Law? Yes No
 - Federal Court Decision? Yes No
 - State Court Decision? Yes No
- If yes, CITATION:

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DATE: July 26, 2016

TIME: 12:14 PM

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DATE 07/26/2016

NAME (type or print)

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TITLE

Chair, Veterinary Board of Governors

Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

None.

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Department of Health/Veterinary Board of Governors Private Public Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

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Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW or has a school district fiscal impact statement been prepared under section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 2012?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement.

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone

fax

e-mail

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

A small business economic impact statement was not prepared. The proposed rule would not impose more than minor costs on businesses in an industry.

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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No: Please explain:

WAC 246-933-420 Basic requirement—Amount. Continuing veterinary medical education consists of programs of learning which contribute directly to the advancement or enhancement of skills in the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery and dentistry. Licensed veterinarians must complete thirty hours of continuing veterinary medical education every three years (~~(as required)~~) in compliance with chapter 246-12 WAC, Part 7. (~~(No more than ten hours can be earned in practice management courses in any three-year reporting period.)~~)

In any three-year reporting period:

(1) At least ten hours must be earned in conventional (Western) medicine.

(2) No more than twenty hours can be earned in courses related to complementary and alternative veterinary medicine or complementary, alternative, or integrative therapies.

(3) No more than ten hours can be earned in practice management courses.