



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Disability Services Administration
Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery
PO Box 45330, Olympia, WA 98504-5330

March 23, 2012

Dear Tribal Leaders,

This notice informs you that the permanent rules for WAC 388-805-085 and 388-805-100 (amended) and WAC 388-805-080 and 388-805-090 (repealed) were adopted as WSR 12-05-091 on February 17, 2012, and are effective March 19, 2012. These rules replace the emergency rules that the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery filed in September 2011, to increase certification fees.

The 2011-13 State Budget, Second Engrossed Substitute House Bill (2ESHB) 1087 Section 208, directed the Department of Social and Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery to establish agency fees in an amount to adequately cover the costs of the certification program.

The fee schedule adopted in the legislative budget notes reflects the intent of the law to establish a lower cost of licensing for those organizations with proof of accredited programs through the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, and the Council on Accreditation, or others that the department has determined to have substantially equivalent standards to those of the department. The legislative budget notes, however, no longer recognize fee waivers.

This legislation can be viewed online at: <http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2011-12/Pdf/Bills/Session%20Law%202011/1087-S.SL.pdf>. Section 208 can be found on pages 64 and 65 of this document.

Enclosed is a copy of:

- RULE-MAKING ORDER (CR-103P)
- WAC 388-805-085 What are the fee requirements for chemical dependency treatment programs?
- WAC 388-805-100 What do I need to do to maintain agency certification?

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Sincerely,



Chris Imhoff, LICSW, Director
Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery

Enclosures

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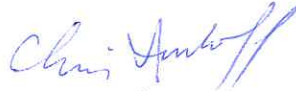
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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Imhoff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the "f".

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