

**WAC 388-78A-2101 Ongoing assessments—Requirements in effect from January 18, 2022, through June 8, 2023, in response to the state of emergency related to COVID-19.**

(1) In response to the state of emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the department adopted emergency rules under RCW 34.05.320 on January 18, 2022, to amend a portion of WAC 388-78A-2100. The emergency rules remained in effect until June 8, 2023. The amended rules in place at that time were:

(2) The assisted living facility must:

(a) Complete a full assessment addressing the elements set forth in WAC 388-78A-2090 for each resident at least annually, except beginning January 18, 2022, assessments for residents whose care is state funded may be extended an additional 12 months during the COVID-19 public health emergency;

(b) Complete an assessment specifically focused on a resident's identified problems and related issues:

(i) Consistent with the resident's change of condition as specified in WAC 388-78A-2120;

(ii) When the resident's negotiated service agreement no longer addresses the resident's current needs and preferences;

(iii) When the resident has an injury requiring the intervention of a practitioner.

(c) Ensure the staff person performing the ongoing assessments is qualified to perform them.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.51 RCW. WSR 23-14-029, § 388-78A-2101, filed 6/26/23, effective 7/27/23.]