



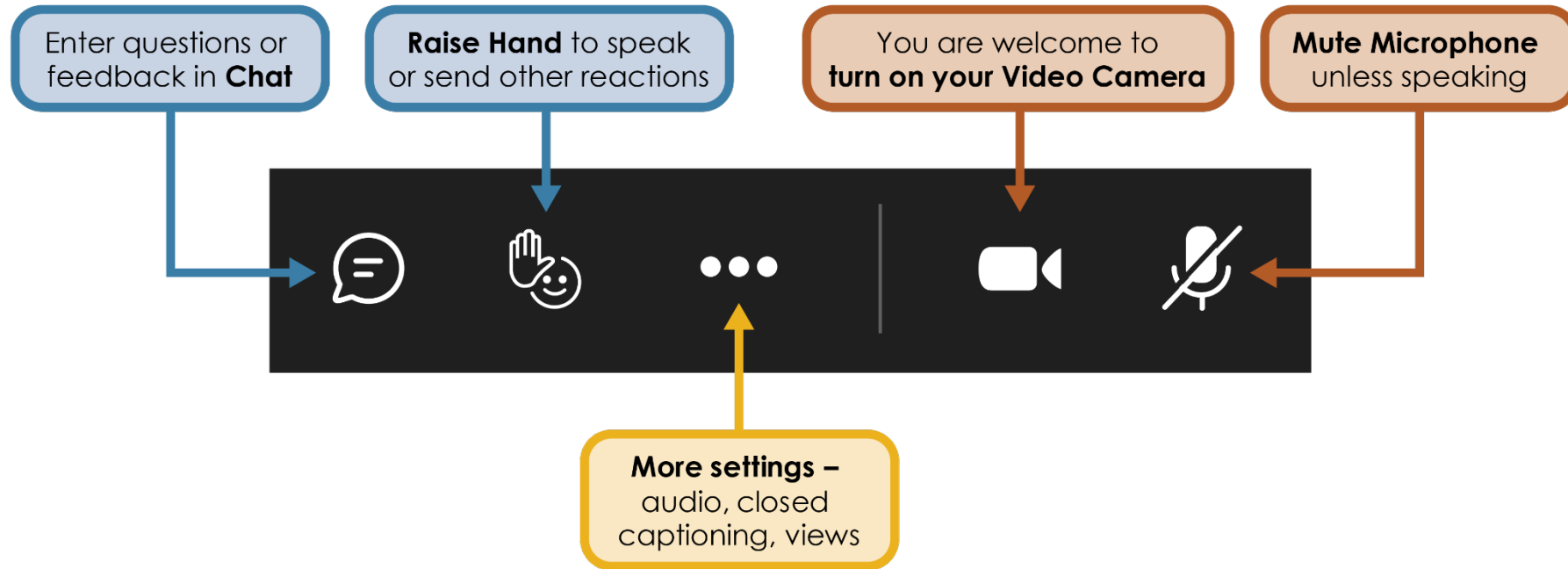
RULES WORKSHOP: SUPERVISION

Substance Use Disorder Professionals



Introductions

MS Teams Features We Will Use Today



Tips

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- State your name before speaking
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Venues for Feedback

During Rules Workshops

- In the meeting chat
- Raising hand to speak
- Using Slido (specific slides)

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Workshop Overview

The Department of Health is working to implement recent legislation: House Bill 1724 (2023), House Bill 2247 (2024), and Senate Bill 6228 (2024)

- Must be implemented in permanent rule by July 1, 2025; emergency rules with some changes are already in place (June 6th, 2024)

Goals of rulemaking:

- Reduce barriers to entering and remaining in the workforce (identified during listening sessions in 2023)
- Align WACs with recent statutory changes
- Review a petition to amend education requirements for SUDPs
- Temporarily reduce SUDP/T fees to \$100/year
- Seek feedback from the public about additional recommendations for SUDP rule changes

Approximate Timeline

File a new CR101 – completed April 2024

Rules workshops – Summer 2024

File CR102 – Fall/Winter 2024

Public Hearing – Winter/Spring 2025

File CR103 – Spring 2025

Permanent Rules in place – July 1, 2025



Topics of Rulemaking

*denotes statutory change

Education Requirements (June 25th)

Expedited credentialing review for applicants with a degree in Addiction Studies or SUD Counseling

Petition: Requiring SUDP applicants to have an associate degree

SUDP Trainee Requirements (June 26th)

*Eliminating the limitation on SUDPT Renewals

*Eliminating the requirement for SUDPTs to work in only state-licensed behavioral health agencies

Updating the SUDPT Attestation and/or requiring additional documents upon renewal of trainee credential

Supervision Requirements (June 27th)

Reducing the requirement for approved supervisors to one year of fulltime work as a WA state certified SUDP

Introducing new supervision standards (requiring regular check ins, consistent individual & group supervision, etc.)

Creating the Out of State Substantial Equivalency pathway*

SUDP Temporary Fee Changes

SB 6228 creates a temporary fee cap of \$100 for all SUDP or SUDPTs from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2029.

- Fee cap is **temporary**: scheduled through June 30, 2029, and is subject to funding for the entire duration of the fee cap.
- Fee cap has only been funded for **one year** (through June 30, 2025). The Legislature will need to fund this fee cap again in 2025 and 2027 for it to last through 2029.

What will happen to SUDP/T fees after the temporary fee cap is over?

- Fees will return to the same amounts in the original fee schedule. Over time, in order to lower fees for this profession, the expense trends (disciplinary costs, legal fees, etc.) will need to significantly reduce.

Immediate Supervision Requirement Changes

- 1) Permitting remote supervision for SUDPTs after the first 50 hours of face-to-face patient contact under direct observation of an approved supervisor have taken place; approved supervisors must still be “immediately available for consultation” when providing remote supervision;
- 2) Reducing the amount of experience required to be an approved supervisor to one year of fulltime experience as a fully certified WA state SUDP;
- 3) Eliminating the option to substitute specific continuing education courses for experience as an SUDP, pertaining to approved supervisor experience requirements

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As SUDPTs are permitted to work outside of BHAs, what are the best ways to support new supervisors/trainees working in more diverse settings?

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Possible SUDP Approved Supervisor changes - discussion

- Require more rigorous supervision standards for consistent and regular meetings between SUDPTs and their approved supervisor;
 - Weekly supervision requirements, with one in-person session per month
 - Identify ratio of individual : group supervision meetings;
- Establish requirements for a supervision plan between supervisor and trainee to identify competency goals, appropriate caseload based on skill level, expectations, necessary trainings, etc.
- Require supervisors to complete Clinical Supervision training

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Which of these possible changes should be included in the rulemaking process?

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What are additional barriers faced by approved SUDP supervisors that could be addressed in current rulemaking?

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Questions or Additional Feedback?

To submit additional written feedback directly to the department, please email the program manager, Claire Wilson: claire.wilson@doh.wa.gov. The department will accept written feedback through September 1, 2024.

Next Steps

The department will compile the feedback received during this week's rulemaking workshops and begin incorporating it into new draft rule language.

Once this new draft language is completed, it will be posted to the [SUDP Website](#) and sent out via [GovDelivery](#). At that time, the department will schedule additional workshops to discuss the draft changes and solicit further feedback from the public.



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