WAC 246-320-021  Department responsibilities—General. This section outlines the department's responsibility to post information to the agency website and time frames to respond to interpretations, exemptions and alternative methods.

The department will:

(1) Post to the agency website a list of the most frequent problems identified during hospital surveys and complaint investigations in accordance with RCW 70.41.045.

(2) Respond within thirty calendar days to a hospital's request for an exemption or use of an alternative as provided for in WAC 246-320-026.

(3) Respond within thirty calendar days to a hospital's request for an interpretation as provided for in WAC 246-320-026.

(4) Maintain hospital provided information confidentially according to the Public Disclosure Act, chapters 42.17 and 42.56 RCW, RCW 70.41.150, 70.41.200, and 70.41.210.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 70.41 RCW and RCW 43.70.040. WSR 09-07-050, § 246-320-021, filed 3/11/09, effective 4/11/09.]