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

The department will:

(1) Post to the agency web site 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.]