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Sheryl J. Evans
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Sent Via Email

Dear Sheryl Evans:

Thank you for the rulemaking petition you submitted to the State Board of Health (Board) on January 26, 2022, requesting the repeal of WAC 246-100-040, Procedures for isolation and quarantine and WAC 246-100-070, Enforcement of local health officer orders. Specifically, you requested the Board repeal these sections of chapter 246-100 WAC based on the arguments that they conflict with other law and that “the vaccine” does not work.

The Board has the authority under RCW 43.20.050(2)(e) to adopt rules for the imposition and use of isolation and quarantine. The Board has adopted rules of this nature in WAC 246-100-040 through WAC 246-100-070.

The Board met on March 9, 2022 and after reviewing and discussing your petition, voted to deny your request for the following reasons. The Board concluded that rules establishing procedures for the imposition and use of isolation and quarantine, including WAC 246-100-040 and -070, assist local health officers in their efforts to control and prevent contagious disease and are necessary for the protection of the public’s health. The Board also recognized the due process protections engrained in the rules for those who may be subject to an isolation or quarantine order and found no conflict with other law.

As you may be aware, under RCW 34.05.330, a petitioner may appeal an agency’s decision to deny a petition to repeal or amend a rule. An appeal must be made to the Governor within 30 days of the petition denial.

If you require further assistance, please don’t hesitate to contact Samantha Pskowski, Health Policy Advisor in our office, at (360) 789-2358, or at Samantha.Pskowski@sboh.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Keith Grellner, Chair