

Negotiated Rule Making (NRM)

Partnering So Children,
Youth & Families Can **THRIVE**

What is Negotiated Rule Making (NRM):

As required under the D.S. Settlement Agreement, the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) will be amending the Foster Care (110-148) Washington Administrative Code (WAC). Negotiated Rule Making (NRM) is a collaborative way to develop rules by seeking consensus from groups made up of similar parties that are impacted by the rules. For more information on the D.S. Settlement Agreement, go to <https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/practice/practice-improvement/ds-settlement>.

? WHY PARTICIPATE IN NRM:

Participating in NRM provides a great opportunity to impact the future of how youth experience the foster care system.

- ▶ Lead the charge in advocating for youth rights.
- ▶ Be the voice of your own lived experiences.
- ▶ Build reasoning, decision making, and leadership skills.
- ▶ Play a vital role in social welfare transformation.

☺ NRM TIME COMMITMENT:

- ▶ Semi-monthly, two-hour Zoom meetings (June 2024 – Sept. 2024)
- ▶ Monthly, two-day, in-person meetings (Oct. 2024 - March 2025)

☆ INCENTIVES:

- ▶ \$90 per Zoom meeting
- ▶ \$200 per in-person meeting
- ▶ Travel, lodging, and food accommodations for in-person meetings

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