



Committee of the Whole

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Council Initiated:

Yes

No

ECAF: 2025-3749

Motion: 25-557

Type:

- Contract
- Board Appt.
- Code Amendment
- Budget Action
- Other

Requested Handling:

- Normal
- Expedite
- Urgent

Fund Source:

- General Fund
- Other
- N/A

Executive Rec:

- Approve
- Do Not Approve
- N/A

Approved as to

Form:

- Yes
- No
- N/A

Subject: Data Sharing Agreement – WA. Dept. of Health – **Overdose Fatality Review Dataset**

Scope: This Motion would approve an agreement between the Snohomish County Health Department and Washington State Department of Health (WSDOH). Under the agreement the WSDOH will provide the County with the following data for the purpose of Overdose Fatality Review:

- WA Death Annual Statistical
- WA Death Cause of Death Literals
- WA Death Names

This data will remain available to the County for the term of the agreement and may be linked with other data (such as data from the Medical Examiners Office, Law Enforcement, Courts, and other relevant state Agencies). At the end of this agreement, the County is responsible for destruction of all data in accordance with Appendix B of the agreement.

Additionally, the County agrees to:

- Follow the states small number guidelines (Appendix D)
- Limit access and use of information to those necessary
- Ensure those who access it understand their responsibility and sign a confidentiality form.

Duration: Execution through August 31, 2029

Fiscal Impact: Current Year Multi-Year N/A

Authority Granted: Authorize the Executive to execute the agreement.

Background: In accordance with [SCC 2.48.165](#), interagency data sharing agreements require Council approval by motion. The Snohomish County Health Department wishes to access three databases held by the Washington State Department of Health for the purpose of informing core public health responsibilities pertaining to overdose fatalities.

Requested Action: For Council to consider taking action.