WAC 296-14-6232 What happens if the residence modification costs exceed the maximum benefit? The department or self-insured employer may approve a payment of a portion of a residence modification request, not to exceed the maximum benefit. The department or self-insured employer will identify the portions of the residence modification for which payment will be approved based on the worker's current need for safety, mobility and activities of daily living.

If the costs of the proposed modifications of an existing residence exceed the benefit, the worker is responsible for payment of the balance of the costs. The worker must choose one of the following options:

(1) Adjust their request for modifications to remain within the benefit; or

(2) Obtain additional financing. If the worker chooses to obtain additional financing, he or she must submit to the department written verification of the additional financing from the funding source. The supervisor will deny the residence modification if the worker is unable to cover the additional costs.

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