

WAC 388-14A-2090 Who receives notice when DCS closes a case?

(1) The reason for case closure determines whether the division of child support (DCS):

- (a) Sends a notice of intent to close;
- (b) Sends a notice of case closure; or
- (c) Notifies the other jurisdiction.

(2) DCS mails a notice of intent to close by regular mail to the last known address of the custodial parent (CP) and the noncustodial parent.

(3) If DCS is closing a case under WAC 388-14A-2081, DCS sends a notice of intent to close, advising the parties why DCS is closing the case. DCS sends the notice sixty days before closing the case, except:

(a) DCS sends a notice of case closure but does not send a notice of intent to close when the applicant or recipient of nonassistance services submits a written request for closure, and there is no current assignment of medical or support rights;

(b) DCS notifies the initiating jurisdiction in an intergovernmental case that DCS has closed the case after the initiating jurisdiction requests case closure; and

(c) DCS does not send a notice of intent to close or a notice of case closure when:

(i) DCS, the prosecuting attorney, the department of social and health services, a court of competent jurisdiction or an administrative hearing determines that action to establish or enforce a support obligation cannot occur without a risk of harm to the child or the custodial parent (CP); or

(ii) DCS has provided locate-only services in response to a request for state parent locator services (SPLS).

(4) If DCS is the responding jurisdiction and is closing an intergovernmental case because of noncooperation by the initiating jurisdiction, DCS notifies the other jurisdiction's child support agency sixty days before closing the case.

(5) When DCS is the initiating jurisdiction in an intergovernmental case and DCS closes its case, DCS notifies the responding jurisdiction that DCS has closed its case and provides the reason for closure.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 26.23.120, 43.20A.550, 74.04.055, 74.08.090, 74.20.040(9), 74.20A.310, and 45 C.F.R. Parts 301.1, 302.35, 302.36, 303.3, 303.7, 303.11, 303.20, 305.63, 307.13, and 308.2. WSR 11-22-116, § 388-14A-2090, filed 11/2/11, effective 12/3/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 26.23.035, 34.05.220(1), 74.20A.310, 45 C.F.R. 303.11, 45 C.F.R. 303.100. WSR 01-03-089, § 388-14A-2090, filed 1/17/01, effective 2/17/01. Formerly WAC 388-14-422.]