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WSR 23-12-038 PERMANENT RULES DEPARTMENT OF

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES
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Effective Date of Rule: July 1, 2023.

Purpose: Adjust copayment amounts for families above 50 percent and at or below 60 percent of the state median income from \$115 to \$165, as required under RCW 43.216.1368.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 110-15-0075.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.216.055 and 43.216.065. Adopted under notice filed as WSR 23-09-074 on April 19, 2023.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 22-05-007, filed 2/3/22, effective 3/6/22)

- WAC 110-15-0075 Determining income eligibility and copayment amounts. (1) DCYF takes the following steps to determine consumers' eligibility and copayments, when care is provided under a WCCC voucher or contract:
- (a) Determine their family size as described in WAC 110-15-0015; and
- (b) Determine their countable income as described in WAC 110-15-0065.
 - (2) DCYF calculates consumers' copayments as follows:

If the household's income is:	Then the household's maximum monthly copayment is:
At or below 20 percent of the SMI	Waived

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If the household's income is:	Then the household's maximum monthly copayment is:
Above 20 percent and at or below 36 percent of the SMI	\$65
Above 36 percent and at or below 50 percent of the SMI	\$90
Above 50 percent and at or below 60 percent of the SMI	((\$115)) <u>\$165</u>
At reapplication, above 60 percent and at or below 65 percent of the SMI	\$215

- (3) DCYF does not prorate copayments when consumers use care for only part of a month.
- (4) For parents age 21 years or younger who attend high school or are working towards completing a high school equivalency certificate, copayments are not required.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 43.216.055 and 43.216.065. WSR 22-05-007, § 110-15-0075, filed 2/3/22, effective 3/6/22. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.215.060, 43.215.070 and chapter 43.215 RCW. WSR 21-01-180, § 110-15-0075, filed 12/21/20, effective 1/21/21. WSR 18-14-078, recodified as § 110-15-0075, filed 6/29/18, effective 7/1/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.215.060, 43.215.070, and chapter 43.215 RCW. WSR 16-09-059, § 170-290-0075, filed 4/15/16, effective 5/16/16. Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.215 RCW. WSR 12-21-008, § 170-290-0075, filed 10/5/12, effective 11/5/12. Statutory Authority: Chapter 43.215 RCW, RCW 43.215.060, 43.215.070, 2011 1st sp.s. c 42, 2011 1st sp.s. c 50, and 2006 c 265 § 501. WSR 11-18-001, § 170-290-0075, filed 8/24/11, effective 9/24/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 43.215.060, 43.215.070, 2006 c 265, and chapter 43.215 RCW. WSR 09-22-043, § 170-290-0075, filed 10/28/09, effective 12/1/09. WSR 08-08-047, recodified as § 170-290-0075, filed 3/27/08, effective 3/27/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.12.340, 74.13.085, and 2003 1st sp.s. c 25. WSR 04-08-021 and 04-08-134, § 388-290-0075, filed 3/29/04 and 4/7/04, effective 5/28/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.13.085. WSR 02-14-067, § 388-290-0075, filed 6/27/02, effective 8/1/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050 and C.F.R. Parts 98 and 99 (Child Care Development Fund Rules). WSR 02-01-135, § 388-290-0075, filed 12/19/01, effective 1/19/02.]