

**WAC 388-408-0005 What is a cash assistance unit?** (1) For all sections of this chapter:

(a) **"We"** means the department of social and health services.

(b) **"You"** means a person that is applying for or getting benefits from the department.

(c) **"Assistance unit"** or **"AU"** is the group of people who live together and whose income or resources we count to decide your eligibility for benefits and the amount of benefits you get.

(2) For ABD cash, we decide who is in the AU under WAC 388-408-0060.

(3) For TANF, PWA, or SFA, we decide who is in the AU by taking the following steps:

(a) We start with who must be in the AU under WAC 388-408-0015;

(b) We add those you choose to have in the AU under WAC 388-408-0025; and

(c) We remove those who are not allowed in the AU under WAC 388-408-0020.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.005, 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057, 74.04.510, 74.08.090, 74.08A.100, 74.04.770, 74.04.0052, 74.04.655, 74.08.043, 74.08.335, and 2011 1st sp.s. c 36. WSR 12-10-042, § 388-408-0005, filed 4/27/12, effective 6/1/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057. WSR 03-17-066, § 388-408-0005, filed 8/18/03, effective 9/18/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.057, 2000 2nd sp.s. c 1. WSR 01-03-121, § 388-408-0005, filed 1/22/01, effective 3/1/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.04.050, 74.04.055, 74.04.057 and 74.08.090. WSR 98-16-044, § 388-408-0005, filed 7/31/98, effective 9/1/98.]