

WAC 388-14A-5200 What is a "total versus total" notice? (1) The division of child support (DCS) identifies cases needing a "total versus total" calculation, which compares amounts of public assistance paid to the family with amounts of support collected and uncollected support debt. DCS performs a total versus total calculation upon the request of the custodial parent (CP) or a DCS field office, usually only after the assistance grant has ended.

(a) The total versus total calculation allocates the uncollected support debt between the state and the CP, based on the amounts of public assistance paid to the family.

(b) The total versus total calculation indicates the amounts of support paid by each noncustodial parent (NCP) and how DCS distributed the support.

(c) DCS may at any time review a case to determine if a total versus total calculation is appropriate.

(2) When DCS completes a total versus total calculation at the request of the CP, DCS mails a total versus total notice to the last known address of the former assistance recipient.

(3) The person to whom DCS sends a total versus total notice may, within ninety days of the date of the notice, file a request for a conference board under WAC 388-14A-6400 to contest the distribution of support money and the allocation of uncollected support debt. The person must state specific objections to the total versus total notice. The effective date of a request conference board is the date DCS receives the request.

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