

**WAC 415-108-455 Cafeteria plans.** Compensation received in any form under the provisions of a "cafeteria plan," "flexible benefits plan," or similar arrangement pursuant to section 125 of the United States Internal Revenue Code is reportable compensation if the employee has an absolute right to receive cash or deferred cash payments in lieu of the fringe benefits offered. In such an instance, the fringe benefits are being provided in lieu of cash and are considered reportable compensation, just as the cash would be. If there is no cash option, the value of the fringe benefit is not a salary or wage and is not reportable compensation, see WAC 415-108-475.

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