

**WAC 388-14A-5003 How does DCS distribute support collections in an assistance case?** (1) An assistance case is one where the family is currently receiving a TANF grant.

(2) Subject to the exceptions provided under WAC 388-14A-5005, the division of child support (DCS) distributes support collections within each Title IV-D assistance case:

(a) First, to satisfy the current support obligation for the month DCS received the collection;

(b) Second, to satisfy support debts which are permanently assigned to the department to reimburse the cumulative amount of assistance which has been paid to the family;

(c) Third:

(i) To satisfy support debts which are temporarily assigned to the department to reimburse the cumulative amount of assistance paid to the family; or

(ii) To satisfy support debts which are conditionally assigned to the department. Support collections distributed to conditionally assigned arrears are disbursed according to WAC 388-14A-2039.

(d) Fourth, to satisfy support debts owed to the family;

(e) Fifth, to prepaid support as provided for under WAC 388-14A-5008.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 26.23.035 and 34.05.350 (1)(c). WSR 11-06-042, § 388-14A-5003, filed 2/28/11, effective 3/31/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 26.18.170, 26.23.035, 26.23.050, [26.23.]110, 74.20.040, 74.20A.030, [74.20A.]055, [74.20A.]056, and 74.20A.310. WSR 09-02-059, § 388-14A-5003, filed 1/5/09, effective 1/27/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 26.23.035, 74.08.090, 74.20A.188, 74.20A.310, 42 U.S.C. 666(a)14. WSR 01-24-078, § 388-14A-5003, filed 12/3/01, effective 1/3/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 74.08.090, 26.23.035, 74.20A.057, 74.20A.310. WSR 01-03-089, § 388-14A-5003, filed 1/17/01, effective 2/17/01. Formerly WAC 388-14-270.]