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WSR 21-01-180 PERMANENT RULES DEPARTMENT OF

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES
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Purpose: Institute a cap of \$115 for copayments paid by families who participate in working connections and seasonal child care programs.

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

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 43.215.060 and 43.215.070. Other Authority: Chapter 43.215 RCW.

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-14-078, filed 6/29/18, effective 7/1/18)

WAC 110-15-0075 Determining income eligibility and copayment amounts. (1) ((DSHS)) DCYF takes the following steps to determine a consumer's eligibility and copayment, whether care is provided under a WCCC voucher or contract:

- (a) Determine the consumer's family size (under WAC $((\frac{170-290-0015}{}))$ 110-15-0015); and
- (b) Determine the consumer's countable income (under WAC $((\frac{170-290-0065}{}))$ $\frac{110-15-0065}{})$.
 - (2) ((DSHS)) DCYF calculates the consumer's copayment as follows:

IF A CONSUMER'S INCOME IS:	THEN THE CONSUMER'S COPAYMENT IS:
(a) At or below 82% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG).	\$15
(b) Above 82% of the FPG up to 137.5% of the FPG.	\$65

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IF A CONSUMER'S INCOME IS:	THEN THE CONSUMER'S COPAYMENT IS:
(c) Above 137.5% of the FPG through 200% of the FPG.	The dollar amount equal to subtracting 137.5% of the FPG from countable income, multiplying by 50%, then adding \$65, up to a maximum of \$115.

- (3) ((DSHS)) <u>DCYF</u> does not prorate the copayment when a consumer uses care for part of a month.
- (4) The FPG is updated every year. The WCCC eligibility level is updated at the same time every year to remain current with the FPG.

[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 $\overline{25}$. 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.]