

Summary of Parent Pay

Costs of support, treatment, and confinement -- Order -- Contempt of court.

The applicable law is **RCW 13.40.220**

WAC is: **388-720**;

In the WAC is a schedule (below) used to determine the degree of financial obligation to repay the Department for a youth's care and custody.

Parents/others are **exempt** from the obligation if:

- The victim of the youth's crime lives in the home;
- The parent/obligated person receives or is qualified to receive an adoption allowance or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF);
- The household income lies under 150% of the Federal Poverty Guideline, (Federal Poverty "Level").

PAYMENT OBLIGATION

- Parents must submit a Financial Information Statement (FIS) to the Office of Financial Recovery (OFR), otherwise they are assessed the full cost of care.
- OFR uses the FIS and other information to assess the obligation amount, which can range from zero up to 20% of gross household income.
- Assessment is calculated according to the schedule and can never be for more than the actual cost of care.
- Payments can be spread over a term when negotiated with OFR.
- There is an appeal process.

Gross Income as Percentage of Federal Poverty Guideline	Dependents in Home					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
150 - 174%	12%	12%	10%	10%	8%	8%
175 - 199%	13%	13%	11%	11%	9%	9%
200 - 224%	14%	14%	12%	12%	10%	10%
225 - 249%	15%	15%	13%	13%	11%	11%
250 - 274%	16%	16%	14%	14%	12%	12%
275 - 299%	17%	17%	15%	15%	13%	13%
300 - 399%	18%	18%	16%	16%	14%	14%
400%+	20%	20%	18%	18%	16%	16%
Reimbursement Obligation: Assessed Percentage of Gross Income						