

# Implementation Plan Conditional Payment Definition

## Introduction

Pursuant to RCW 34.05.328(3), the Employment Security Department (Department) hereby describes its implementation plan for its conditional payment definition rulemaking.

## Plan to implement and enforce the rule

The rulemaking clarifies the circumstances under which the Department pays benefits to claimants on a conditional basis. The goal of the rulemaking is to provide clarity to claimants and does not change the way the Department handles paying benefits or create new or different requirements for claimants or employers. Therefore, the Department will continue its current practices regarding payment of conditional benefits to implement and enforce this rulemaking.

## Plan to inform and educate affected persons about the rule

The Department will share rules with stakeholder groups through the Department's online distribution lists.

#### Plan to promote and assist voluntary compliance

The plan to promote and assist voluntary compliance will be identical to the plan to inform and educate affected persons about the rule.

#### Plan to evaluate whether the rules achieve the purpose for which they were adopted

The rulemaking clarifies the Department's rules to reflect the Department's current practices in paying benefits to claimants on a conditional basis. The Department will review decisions made by judges to assess whether the rules provide the intended clarification.