

**INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE
AND
SNOHOMISH COUNTY**

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1. PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

This Interagency Agreement is between the Washington State Office of Public Defense (OPD) and Snohomish County, through its Office of Public Defense (COUNTY).

2. PURPOSE

To provide for partial or full reimbursement for expenses for the assignment of dependency cases to parent attorneys for indigent parents pursuant to RCW 13.34.090(2) in Snohomish County, contingent on available funding.

To require the OPD to make meaningful progress towards reimbursement for the costs for assigning cases by the end of this Agreement.

3. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

This Agreement is effective on the date of last signature. Regardless of the date signed, the Period of Performance of this Agreement is from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2026.

4. AGREEMENT FOR REIMBURSEMENT CONTINGENT ON AVAILABLE FUNDS

COUNTY may seek reimbursement for costs for assigning attorneys to indigent parent respondents in dependency and termination cases. COUNTY must apply for reimbursement by June 1 of each fiscal year, or as soon as possible thereafter. The reimbursement amount must fairly reflect the actual cost to COUNTY of the assignment services provided. OPD shall, in good faith and contingent on available funding, provide reimbursement consistent with amounts paid for assignment services in similar-sized counties. OPD shall make a good faith determination as to the funding available.

5. CHANGES, MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

This agreement may be waived, modified, or amended only by written agreement executed by both parties.


6. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This agreement contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.

7. EXECUTION

We the undersigned, agree to the terms of the foregoing Agreement.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENSE

 08/7/2024

Signature Date

Co-Lead Managin Attorney

Title

SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Signature Date

Ken Klein
Executive Director

Title

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