

Service Fee for Juvenile Supervision

The Columbia County Department of Health & Human Services assesses a \$25.00 monthly fee for providing juvenile court ordered community (in-home) supervision services.

The \$25.00 monthly fee will offset a small portion of the cost to the department for providing community based support to a youth and his/her parents(s) while the youth is under juvenile court supervision.

Parents will be assessed the fee from the date that their child is placed under court ordered supervision until supervision ends.

The fee will be assessed in the following circumstances:

When the youth is placed under supervision pursuant to a dispositional order entered after either a delinquency or a JIPS (juvenile in need of protection and services) finding by the juvenile court. (Child is residing in home.)

The Wisconsin Administrative Code, Chapter HFS 1, and WI State Statute 938.36(2), authorize the Columbia County Department of Health & Human Services to charge this monthly fee.

Billing

The Columbia County Department of Health & Human Services Accounting Office will send you a bill as soon as it receives a copy of the order for supervision services.

The monthly fee of \$25.00 is billed on a per family basis. Families with more than one child under supervision with the department will be assessed a total of \$25.00 per month, regardless of the number of children under supervision.

Payment Plans

The Department is committed to working with families. Extended or deferred payment plans may be available upon request. Arrangements must be made with Columbia County Department of Health & Human Services Accounting Office.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What happens if supervision is terminated early?

A: If delinquency supervision is terminated earlier than originally expected and you are paying monthly, the billing will stop. If the fee has been paid in full for the planned amount of supervision, you will be reimbursed for the difference.

Q: Who is responsible for payment of the fee if there is a joint custody agreement?

A: If the parents of a child have been granted “joint legal custody”, the parent who has been designated by the family court as the “primary home” of the child will be billed. If there is no family court order and neither parent is designated as the “primary home”, the parent with whom the child lives most often will be billed. If the child lives an equal amount of time with each parent, such things as school enrollment will be considered in order to determine which parent to bill.

**FOR BILLING
INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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Department of Health & Human Services

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Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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