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Summary

Updated the definition of when a person is considered a "fleeing" felon.

WAC 388-442-0010, How does being a fleeing felon impact my eligibility for benefits?

WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

2. When someone has a felony warrant:

- a. Let a person know when that individual has a valid felony warrant.
- b. Give a person who says the warrant is satisfied a chance to prove the status.
- c. **If the warrant is not satisfied, wWe** must consider that person "fleeing" and not eligible for TANF/SFA, GA, ADATSA, or Basic Food benefits. **unless:**
 1. **The person can prove the warrant is satisfied, or**
 2. **The person can reasonably show they have made a good faith effort to satisfy the warrant and have been unable to do so for reasons beyond their control.**
- d. Deny or close benefits as appropriate.
- e. [RCW 74.04.062](#) allows us to contact the appropriate law enforcement agency when we learn that a person has a **valid** outstanding warrant. These provisions in state law apply to cash only clients.