May the director hire other specialists to assist with examinations and investigations, and who will pay for them?

(1) The director may retain attorneys, accountants, or other professionals and specialists as examiners, auditors, or investigators, to conduct, or assist in the conduct of examinations, or investigations. Fees for services provided to the director by such professionals and specialists under this paragraph will be billed at such rates and in the manner described in WAC 208-630-350 and 208-630-380.

(2) The director may order the retention of such professionals and specialists as auditors, or investigators to conduct, or assist in the conduct of audits or investigations. Unless the director determines that the person investigated is not required to hold a license or otherwise should not bear the cost, the actual cost of these services will be borne by the person who is the subject of the audit, or investigation.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 31.04.165, 43.320.040, 31.45.030, 31.45.050, 31.45.200. WSR 05-22-009, § 208-630-390, filed 10/21/05, effective 11/21/05.]