

From the Hotline

- Q. A TAFDC application is being denied because the individual did not return all the needed verifications within 30 days from the application date and did not ask for an extension. I am sending the individual the Notice of Denial (NFL-5) explaining the reason for denying the application and listing the manual citations to support it. Should I enclose a Transitional Assistance Multilingual Card with the Notice of Denial?
- A. Yes. A Transitional Assistance Multilingual Card must be enclosed any time a manual notice is sent to an applicant or recipient.
- Q. I have a family consisting of a mother, her child whose father is absent, her husband and their family cap child. The father of the family cap child is incapacitated and has no income. How do I treat this household?
- A. To determine if both parents of a family cap child would be eligible, you must first determine if there would be a deprivation factor if the dependent child was not a family cap child. In this instance, the family cap child would have a deprivation factor based on the father's incapacity. If all other eligibility factors are met, the assistance unit would consist of the mother, the child of the absent parent and the husband. See 106 CMR 204.305(E)(6).
- Q. If a TAFDC recipient's child is going to school full time but is not yet in first grade or six years of age, is this recipient required to participate in the work program?
- A. No. A nonexempt TAFDC recipient is required to meet the work program requirements when the youngest dependent child in the assistance unit (or who would be in the assistance unit) is mandatory school age. See 106 CMR 203.400(A). Mandatory school age is defined as a child who has turned age six, or begun first grade, whichever is later. See 106 CMR 701.600(F).

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