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**Online Guide Transmittal 2022-65
August 18, 2022**

To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff
From:  Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management
Re: TAFDC – Clothing Allowance, September 2022

Overview

The Department will issue a nonrecurring clothing allowance to eligible TAFDC clients under the age of 19 for September 2022. This year the amount of this benefit is \$400 per eligible TAFDC client. Children who do not receive TAFDC are not eligible for this benefit.

Purpose

This Online Guide Transmittal advises DTA staff about:

- who is eligible;
 - payment amounts;
 - payment dates;
 - notices; and
 - revised Online Guide pages
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**Who is
Eligible &
Payment
Amounts**

A payment of \$400 (separate from the semi-monthly payment) will be issued for each TAFDC eligible client under age 19 effective September 1, 2022. If a client under age 19 becomes eligible between September 1, 2022 and September 30, 2022, a supplemental payment of \$400 per eligible child will be issued at a later date.

**Payment
Dates**

For clients who are eligible on September 1st , all clothing allowance payments are expected to be available to clients on August 26, 2022.

For clients eligible during the month of September 2022, supplemental payments are expected to be available on September 23rd, October 21st, November 18th and December 23rd. Notices are anticipated to arrive on or about those dates either through direct deposit or EBT, based on approval displayed on the dates in the chart below:

| Clients eligible during September and are approved between: | Supplemental clothing allowance issuance date: |
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| August 26 – Sept 20 | Sept 23 |
| Sept 21 – Oct 18 | Oct 21 |
| Oct 19– Nov 15 | Nov 18 |
| Nov 16 – Dec 20 | Dec 23 |

**Revised Online
Guide Pages**

The following Online Guide pages have been revised:

Topic: Scheduled Mailings/Projects
Book: Clothing Allowance
Page: Clothing Allowance

Topic: Scheduled Mailings/Projects
Book: Clothing Allowance
Page: Clothing Allowance Policy and Procedures

Topic: Notices/Forms
Book: TAFDC
Page: TAFDC Notices

**Obsolete
Transmittal**

With this issuance, Online Guide Transmittal, OLG 2021– 72, TAFDC – Clothing Allowance, September 2021 is obsolete.

Questions

If you have any policy or procedural questions, after conferring with the appropriate TAO personnel, please have your Systems Information Specialists or TAO management email them to DTA.Procedural Issues.

Systems issues should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.
