

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services Department of Transitional Assistance 600 Washington Street • Boston MA 02111

Gerald Whitburn Secretary Joseph Gallant Commissioner

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TO:

**Local Office Staff** 

FROM:

Joyce Sampson, Assistant Commissioner for Field Operations

RE:

Referral to LOQC of TAFDC Teen Parent Under Age 18 Closed Case

A TAFDC teen parent under age 18 case that closes must be referred to LOQC regardless of the closing action reason.

LOQC will contact the teen parent and decide if any further action is required to ensure the safety and well-being of the teen parent and/or the dependent child. This is an interim process pending a joint initiative with DSS.

Use the referral form on Attachment A. Fax the referral to Bill McGillivray at (617) 348-5450 after the case actually closes.

If you have any reason to think that the child is being abused or neglected, you <u>must</u> file a 51A. As instructed in FAX 96-11 dated January 29, 1996, do not file a 51A if the only reason for doing so is the closing of the teen parent's case.

If you have any questions have your Hotline designee call the Policy Hotline at (617) 348-8478.



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96-4 Attachment A

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## **Teen Parent Closed Case Referred to LOQC**

	Date/	
	LO#	
Teen Parent Name	Social Security Number	<del></del>
Address	()Area Code - Telephone Number	
City/Town	ZIP	
The above named teen parent	s being referred to you (LOQC).	
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	Signature of Worker	
	Worker's Name (please print)	
Circumstances that may be rele	annt.	-
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