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**Online Guide Transmittal 2022-16
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To: Department of Transitional Assistance Staff

From:  **Sarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management**

Re: TAFDC: Revised Assignment of Support Rights, Cooperation with Child Support, or Good Cause Claim Form

Overview

TAFDC clients are required to assign their rights to receive child support and cooperate with Department efforts to establish a child support and medical support order for each child in the filing unit, unless good cause for not cooperating exists. To document the child support cooperation or good cause, the Assignment of Support Rights, Cooperation with Child Support, or Good Cause Claim Form (TA-34/36) must be signed indicating both the assignment of child support rights and either child support cooperation or good cause. Previous versions of the TA-34/36 did not clearly differentiate where signatures are needed to indicate either cooperation or good cause leading to the form being completed incorrectly at times.

Purpose

This transmittal advises staff of a revised TA-34/36 form that provides clarity to clients in completing the form correctly based on their decision to cooperate with Department efforts to establish a child support and medical support order or claim good cause to not cooperate, and changes to the corresponding Online Guide Pages.

Revised Form

The Assignment of Support Rights, Cooperation with Child Support or Good Cause Claim form (TA-34/36) has been updated to simplify the language and provide clarity on where client signatures are needed. (See Attachment A).

**Updated Online
Guide Pages**

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Program Nonfinancial Requirements
Chapter: Child Support
Subchapter: Absent Parent Information at Application
Page: Absent Parent: Domestic Violence

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Program Nonfinancial Requirements
Chapter: Child Support
Subchapter: Noncooperation with Child Support Efforts
Page: Child Support Sanction for Noncooperation

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Program Nonfinancial Requirements
Chapter: Child Support
Subchapter: Noncooperation with Child Support Efforts
Page: Denials and Terminations for Failure to Cooperate

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Program Nonfinancial Requirements
Chapter: Child Support
Subchapter: Absent Parent Information at Application
Page: Entering Absent Parent Data

Topic: Cross Programs
Book: Benefit Calculation Tool
Page: Determining Prorated Benefit Amount

Topic: TAFDC
Book: Program Nonfinancial Requirements
Chapter: Child Support
Subchapter: Noncooperation with Child Support Efforts
Page: Refusal to Assign Financial and Medical Support Rights

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.
