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То:	Department of Transitional Assistance Staff
From:	KPSarah Stuart, Associate Commissioner for Change Management
Re:	Cross Programs: ADA Accommodation Request Script Update
Overview	The ADA Screening is required to ensure equitable access to Department benefits by all applicants and clients, inclusive of clients with disabilities.

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PurposeThe purpose of this Online Guide transmittal is to inform staff of the updated
ADA Accommodation/ Special Assistance disability script and of the
updated Online Guide page.

Updated Online Guide Page	 Topic: Cross Programs Book: Harper/ADA – Disability Access Page: ADA Accommodation Process: Accommodation/ Special Assistance Request
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 <u>DTA.Procedural Issues</u> .
	Systems issues should be directed to the Systems Support Help Desk.