

## ***BEACON Todays Issued in July 2002***

BT 88 BEACON Release 2.0.16 (6/24/02)

BT 89 Changes to the Food Stamp Calculation for Combination FS/SSFSP AUs Only (6/24/02)

BT 90 Frequently Asked Questions (7/1/02)

BT 91 Program Accuracy and Household Expenses (7/1/02)

The example on page 2 contained an error. The rental amounts in the last paragraph were transposed.

BT 92 BEACON Release Date and FMCS Release Date (7/10/02)

Example 2 contained an error. The second-to-last bullet should read "NPA FS approval" instead of "PA FS approval."

These corrections have been made online.

BT 93 Revision of the Food Stamp Calculation for Combination FS/SSFSP AUs (7/26/02)



## ***Transportation for Hotel Families***

EA

***EA User's Guide: Emergency Assistance , SSI Special Benefits and BEACON Update 007***

This Update describes the transportation services that are available to an EA AU when the EA AU is unable to get to the hotel/motel on their own or by using public transportation.

Transportation services are used to transport the EA AU who:

- is being placed in a hotel/motel;
- is being transferred from one hotel/motel to another hotel/motel or shelter; or
- must return to the TAO from the hotel/motel (available only when the van schedule permits). Van service is primarily available to TAOs in the Greater Boston region.

The ***Homeless Transportation Request Form*** (EA-TRANS) must be completed to request the transportation service.

## ***TAFDC, EAEDC and FS Noncitizen Changes***

TAFDC, STAFDC, EAEDC, FS, SSFSP  
State Letter 1228

This State Letter revises policy to:

- comply with food stamp rules for noncitizen eligibility as a result of PRWORA final regulations;
- remove specific verification requirements from TAFDC, EAEDC and FS regulations; and
- add Victims of Severe Forms of Trafficking as an eligible noncitizen status for TAFDC and EAEDC applicants or recipients.

The Noncitizen Online Guide also has been revised to include additional descriptors for eligible noncitizens. Information on noncitizen status and program eligibility may also be found on the DTA web site.