

**NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA
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TO: County Social Service Directors
Economic Assistance Policy Regional Representatives
Economic Assistance Policy Quality Control Reviewers

FROM: Carol Cartledge, Director, Economic Assistance

SUBJECT: Eligibility for Crossroads

PROGRAMS: Crossroads

EFFECTIVE: Immediately

RETENTION: Until superseded

**SECTIONS
AFFECTED:** Eligibility Criteria 401-01-20-10
Crossroads Case Manager Role and Responsibilities
401-01-15-25
Notice of Program Termination 401-01-25

A teen parent may continue to participate in the Crossroads program until they have completed their education through the month of their 21st birthday. The teen parent must be actively working on completing their education and participating in case management services. The teen parent must meet all other Crossroads eligibility factors.

All applicants will be required to participate in case management services as a condition of eligibility.

Policy sections affected:

Eligibility Criteria 401-01-20-10

Eligible individuals are:

- Teen Pparents up to ~~21~~ years of age may be eligible through (prior to the month the teen parent turns 21 years of age)

- Eligibility may continue through the month the teen parent turns 21. The teen parent must be actively working on completing their education. Eligibility for Crossroads ends the end of the month the teen parent completes their education or the teen parent turns 21.
- Teen parents who are working while pursuing education may remain eligible for Crossroads through the month the teen parent turns 21.
- Teen parents who are participating in case management services
- Teen Pparents who are pursuing an education high school, GED, or alternative high school

Crossroads Case Manager Role and Responsibilities 401-01-15-25

9. Notify Crossroads Policy immediately when an individual has completed their high school/GED education or stops participation in case management services, education and/or employment.

Notice of Program Termination 401-01-25

1. The parent has completed their ~~high school education or GED~~ education.
2. The parent ~~has stopped~~ is no longer working on completing their education attending ~~high school or GED classes~~.
3. The parent is no longer participating in case management services.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Representative.