

1 Department of Public Welfare

2 Social Services Bureau

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4 Adopted Rule Governing Services to Mothers and Pregnant Women

5 (12 MCAR S 2.222)

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7 Rule as Adopted

8 12 MCAR S 2.222 Services to mothers and pregnant women and

9 mothers who are minors.

10 A. Applicability; purpose. This rule governs the offer and

11 provision of services to mothers and pregnant women and to

12 mothers. The purpose of this rule is to define the types of

13 establish criteria for mothers and pregnant women and mothers

14 who shall be offered social services and the responsibility of

15 local agencies to offer services to them women who meet these

16 criteria as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 257.33.

17 B. ~~Definition~~ Definitions. As used in 12 MCAR S 2.222,

18 "local social services agency" means the agency responsible for

19 social services which is under the authority of the board of

20 county commissioners or human services board; and "appropriate

21 social services" are those services identified as appropriate

22 social services by the local social services agency.

23 C. Eligibility criteria for women. The local agency shall

24 offer the services required under D. to women who meet one or

25 more of the following criteria:

26 1. women who are minors and are either pregnant or

27 already have a child;

28 2. mothers who are referred to the agency because they

29 did not have prenatal care;

30 3. mothers who request assistance in establishing

31 paternity for their children;

32 4. women who request assistance in deciding if they want

33 to parent their child; and

34 5. mothers who are referred to the agency because they

35 have physical, mental, or emotional problems which limit the

36 care that they are able to provide for their children.

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1 D. Local social services agency responsibilities. The local
2 agency shall:

3 1. Contact each minor mother who is reported by a
4 hospital as having given birth to a child and offer appropriate
5 social services to her; and

6 2. Offer appropriate social services to women who meet
7 one or more of the criteria of C.
