

## ***SIDC report on rape probe to go to state***

Staten Island Developmental Center's internal investigation into the rape of a severely retarded quadriplegic woman has been completed and will be sent to state authorities next week, SIDC director James Walsh said yesterday.

Walsh said he is now reviewing the investigators' report and will forward it to Commissioner Arthur Y. Webb of the state Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities early in the week.

He said he is leaving Webb with the decision of whether to make the results public. Webb, however, was unavailable for comment yesterday.

The rape victim, a 31-year-old woman whose name is being withheld, gave birth to a healthy 6-pound, 5-ounce boy Tuesday at St. Vincent's Medical Center.

The mother is also in good condition, Walsh said. She is now back at SIDC in a special care unit, he said.

A decision on whether to return her to the SIDC building in which the rape allegedly occurred has not yet been made, he said. That will be a "medical-clinical decision based on need," he said.

SIDC officials reported the rape to police Nov. 30, seven months after the rape allegedly occurred.

The victim, who is mute and a lifelong institutional resident, is unable to consent to sexual relations, officials said.

SIDC officials met with police yesterday morning, Walsh said. Lt. William Quinn of the Staten Island Crimes Against Persons Squad said no leads have developed in the case. Detectives are still investigating, however, he said.