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(c) The SCSEP provides opportunities for eligible individuals to engage in part-time community service activities for which they are compensated. These assignments are analogous to work experience activities or intensive service under 20 CFR 663.200 of the WIA regulations.

(d) SCSEP participants may be paid wages while receiving intensive or training services provided that the participant is functioning in a community service assignment.

Subpart C—The State Senior Employment Services Coordination Plan

§ 641.300 What is the State Plan?

The State Senior Employment Services Coordination Plan (the State Plan) is a plan, submitted by the Governor in each State, as an independent document or as part of the WIA Unified Plan, that describes the planning and implementation process for SCSEP services in the State, taking into account the relative distribution of eligible individuals and employment opportunities within the State. The State Plan is intended to foster coordination among the various SCSEP grantees operating within the State and to facilitate the efforts of stakeholders, including State and Local Boards under WIA, to work collaboratively through a participatory process to accomplish the SCSEP program's goals. (OAA sec. 503(a)(1)). The State Plan provisions are listed at proposed § 641.325.

§ 641.305 Who is responsible for developing and submitting the State Plan?

The Governor of each State is responsible for developing and submitting the State Plan to the Department.

§ 641.310 May the Governor delegate responsibility for developing and submitting the State Plan?

Yes, the Governor may delegate responsibility for developing and submitting the State Plan, provided that any such delegation is consistent with State law and regulations. To delegate responsibility, the Governor must submit to the Department a signed statement indicating the individual and/or

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organization that will be submitting the State Plan on his or her behalf.

§ 641.315 Who participates in developing the State Plan?

(a) In developing the State Plan the Governor must obtain the advice and recommendations of representatives from:

(1) The State and Area Agencies on Aging;

(2) State and Local Boards under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA);

(3) Public and private nonprofit agencies and organizations providing employment services, including each grantee operating an SCSEP project within the State, except as provided for in § 641.320(b);

(4) Social service organizations providing services to older individuals;

(5) Grantees under title III of the OAA;

(6) Affected communities;

(7) Underserved older individuals;

(8) Community-based organizations serving older individuals;

(9) Business organizations; and

(10) Labor organizations.

(b) The Governor may also obtain the advice and recommendations of other interested organizations and individuals, including SCSEP program participants, in developing the State Plan. (OAA sec. 503(a)(2)).

§ 641.320 Must all national grantees operating within a State participate in the State planning process?

(a) Yes, although section 503(a)(2) requires the Governor to obtain the advice and recommendations of SCSEP national grantees with no reciprocal provision requiring the national grantees to participate in the State planning process, the eligibility provision at section 514(c)(5) requires grantees to coordinate with other organizations at the State and local level. Therefore, any national grantee that does not participate in the State planning process may be deemed ineligible to receive SCSEP funds in the following Program Year.

(b) National grantees serving older American Indians are exempted from participating in the planning requirements under section 503(a)(8) of the OAA. These national grantees may