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§ 205.120 Statewide operation.

(a) State plan requirements. A State plan for financial assistance under title I, IV-A, X, XIV, or XVI (AABD) of the Social Security Act must provide that:

(1) It shall be in operation, through a system of local offices, on a statewide basis including the authority to make rules and regulations governing the administration of the plan by such agency or rules and regulations that are binding on the political subdivisions, if the plan is administered by them.

(2) [Reserved]

(b) Conditions for implementing the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section. (1) The State agency will not delegate to other than its own officials its authority for exercising administrative discretion in the administration or supervision of the plan including the issuance of policies, rules, and regulations on program matters.

(2) In the event that any rules and regulations or decisions of the single State agency are subject to review, clearance, or other action by other offices or agencies of the State government, the requisite authority of the single State agency will not be impaired.

(3) In the event that any services are performed for the single State agency by other State or local agencies or offices, such agencies and offices must not have authority to review, change, or disapprove any administrative decision of the single State agency, or otherwise substitute their judgment for that of the agency as to the application of policies, rules, and regulations promulgated by the State agency.

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§ 205.130 State financial participation.

State plan requirements:
(a) A State plan for financial assistance under title I, IV-A, X, XIV, or XVI (AABD) of the Social Security Act must provide that:
   (1) State (as distinguished from local) funds will be used in both assistance and administration; and
   (2) State and Federal funds will be apportioned among the political subdivisions of the State on a basis consistent with equitable treatment of individuals in similar circumstances throughout the State.

(b) A State plan under title I, IV-A, X, XIV, or XVI (AABD) of the Act must provide further that State funds will be used to pay a substantial part of the total costs of the assistance programs.

§ 205.160 Equipment—Federal financial participation.

Claims for Federal financial participation in the cost of equipment for the cash assistance programs under titles I, IV-A, X, XIV, XVI (AABD) and for the separate administrative unit established under section 402(a)(19)(G) of the Social Security Act are to be determined in accordance with subpart G or 45 CFR part 95. Requirements concerning the management and disposition of equipment under these titles are also prescribed in subpart G of 45 CFR part 95.

§ 205.170 State standards for office space, equipment, and facilities.

State plan requirements: A State plan for financial assistance under title I, IV-A, X, XIV, or XVI (AABD) of the Social Security Act must provide that:
(a) The State agency will establish and maintain standards for office space, equipment, and facilities that will adequately and effectively meet program and staff needs. Under this requirement, offices must be well marked and clearly identifiable in the community as a public service.

(b) The State agency will assure that the standards are continuously in effect in all State and local offices or agencies, including agency suboffices, and special centers through:
   (1) Making information about the standards available to State and local staff and other appropriate persons;
   (2) Regular planned evaluation of housing and facilities by regularly assigned staff through visits, reports, controls and other necessary methods;
   (3) Methods for enforcement when necessary to secure compliance with State standards.

§ 205.190 Standard-setting authority for institutions.

(a) State plan requirements. If a State plan for financial assistance under title I, X, XIV, or XVI (AABD) of the Social Security Act includes aid or assistance to individuals in institutions as defined in §233.60(b) (1) and (2) of this chapter the plan must: