

## SUBCHAPTER C—THE ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

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#### Subpart A—Introduction

##### § 1321.1 Basis and purpose of this part.

(a) This part prescribes requirements State agencies shall meet to receive grants to develop comprehensive and coordinated systems for the delivery of supportive and nutrition services under title III of the Older Americans Act, as amended (Act). These requirements include:

- (1) Designation and responsibilities of State agencies;
- (2) State plans and amendments;
- (3) Services delivery; and
- (4) Hearing procedures for applicants for planning and services area designation.

(b) The requirements of this part are based on title III of the Act. Title III provides for formula grants to State agencies on aging, under approved State plans, to stimulate the development or enhancement of comprehensive and coordinated community-based systems resulting in a continuum of services to older persons with special emphasis on older individuals with the greatest economic or social need, with

particular attention to low-income minority individuals. A responsive community-based system of services shall include collaboration in planning, resource allocation and delivery of a comprehensive array of services and opportunities for all older Americans in the community. The intent is to use title III funds as a catalyst in bringing together public and private resources in the community to assure the provision of a full range of efficient, well coordinated and accessible services for older persons.

(c) Each State agency designates planning and service areas in the State, and makes a subgrant or contract under an approved area plan to one area agency in each planning and service area for the purpose of building comprehensive systems for older people throughout the State. Area agencies in turn make subgrants or contracts to service providers to perform certain specified functions.

### § 1321.3 Definitions.

*Act* means the Older Americans Act of 1965 as amended.

*Altering or renovating*, as used in section 307(a)(14) of the Act with respect to multipurpose senior centers, means making modifications to or in connection with an existing facility which are necessary for its effective use as a center. These may include renovation, repair, or expansion which is not in excess of double the square footage of the original facility and all physical improvements.

*Constructing*, as used in section 307(a)(14) of the Act with respect to multipurpose senior centers, means building a new facility, including the costs of land acquisition and architectural and engineering fees, or making modifications to or in connection with an existing facility which are in excess of double the square footage of the original facility and all physical improvements.

*Department* means the Department of Health and Human Services.

*Direct services*, as used in this part, means any activity performed to provide services directly to an individual older person by the staff of a service provider, an area agency, or a State

agency in a single planning and service area State.

*Fiscal year*, as used in this part, means the Federal Fiscal Year.

*Frail*, as used in this part, means having a physical or mental disability, including having Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder with neurological or organic brain dysfunction, that restricts the ability of an individual to perform normal daily tasks or which threatens the capacity of an individual to live independently.

*Human services*, as used in § 1321.41(a)(1) of this part, with respect to criteria for designation of a statewide planning and service area, means social, health, or welfare services.

*In-home service*, as used in this part, includes: (a) Homemaker and home health aides; (b) visiting and telephone reassurance; (c) chore maintenance; (d) in-home respite care for families, including adult day care as a respite service for families; and (e) minor modification of homes that is necessary to facilitate the ability of older individuals to remain at home, and that is not available under other programs, except that not more than \$150 per client may be expended under this part for such modification.

*Means test*, as used in the provision of services, means the use of an older person's income or resource to deny or limit that person's receipt of services under this part.

*Official duties*, as used in section 307(a)(12)(J) of the Act with respect to representatives of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, means work pursuant to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program authorized by the Act or State law and carried out under the auspices and general direction of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

*Periodic*, as used in sections 306(a)(6) and 307(a)(8) of the Act with respect to evaluations of, and public hearings on, activities carried out under State and area plans, means, at a minimum, once each fiscal year.

*Reservation*, as used in section 305(b)(4) of the Act with respect to the designation of planning and service areas, means any federally or State recognized Indian tribe's reservation, pueblo, or colony, including former reservations in Oklahoma, Alaskan Native