Policy Type  Serv. & Rel. Requirements  Subject of Policy  Legal Assistance  Policy Number  301.00

POLICY STATEMENT:

Each area agency on aging will allot a minimum amount of funds, as set forth in the current State Plan, for the provision of legal assistance to older individuals with the greatest social and economic needs, following the Division of Aging policy for the provision of priority services under its Area Plan. Each provider of legal assistance will comply with Older Americans Act law and regulations. The Division of Aging will assist in the development of legal assistance by providing coordination, technical assistance, support for training of providers funded under the Act and concentration of resources to develop a comprehensive and coordinated system of legal assistance.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure the delivery of legal assistance to older persons with the greatest social and economic needs and that such delivery is in accordance with Older Americans Act law and regulations.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all area agencies on aging, and all providers of legal assistance funded through the Division of Aging and Adult Services.

GENERAL AUTHORITY:

Older Americans Act Law and Regulations.