



PROGRAM INSTRUCTION

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TO: Sub-recipients of the State Unit on Aging

FROM: Josie Rodriguez, Administrator, State Unit on Aging

SUBJECT: State agency Title III and Title VI coordination responsibilities

CONTENT: This Program instruction will identify the policies and procedures to guide coordination efforts for Title III and Title VI programs in the state as set forth in §1322.13(a), sections 306(a)(11)(B) and 307(a)(21)(A) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 3026(a)(11)(B) and 3027(a)(21)(A)).

The state's aging network, including area agencies on aging and service providers, will include outreach goals and objectives in their annual state and area plan that addresses the provision of outreach to Tribal elders and family caregivers regarding services for which they may be eligible under Title III and/or VII.

The State agency will provide communication opportunities to Title VI programs including:

- Title III and other funding opportunities, technical assistance on how to apply for Title III and other funding opportunities;
- Meetings, email distribution lists, presentations, and public hearings.

The State agency will collaborate and share program information and changes, including coordinating with area agencies and service providers where applicable. The state will communicate updates and share program information with Title VI programs through a minimum of an annual meeting with the Title VI program directors. The State Unit on Aging will also participate in other opportunities to engage with tribal partners.

Title VI programs may refer individuals who are eligible for Title III and/or VII services to the Area Agencies on Aging through communication with the agency area on aging director or program staff.

The State Unit on Aging will coordinate or identify culturally appropriate and trauma-informed training for area agencies on aging and other service providers. Annual

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culturally appropriate and trauma-informed training will be required for all State Unit on Aging and all Area Agency on Aging personnel.

The State Unit on Aging will identify opportunities to provide information regarding the State Aging Advisory Council, local advisory councils, workgroups, boards, and committees, specifically highlighting the need and importance of tribal elder representation as set forth in § 1321.63.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact the SUA at 402-471-2307 or via email at DHHS.Aging@nebraska.gov.