

Program Instructions

AoA-PI-01-03 January 8, 2001

TO: STATE AGENCIES ON AGING ADMINISTERING PLANS UNDER TITLE III OF THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT OF 1965, AS AMENDED

SUBJECT: Appropriations for Activities Related to Medication Management, Screening and Education

LEGAL AND RELATED REFERENCES: Section 361 of the Older Americans Act of 1965, As Amended (P.L. 106-501) and the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001 (P.L. 106-554)

The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001 (P.L. 106-554) provided \$1,103,135,000 for carrying out the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended (P.L. 106-501), and section 398 of the Public Health Service Act. Of this amount, \$5,000,000 was made available for activities regarding medication management, screening, and education to prevent incorrect medication and adverse drug reactions as a component of Title III, Part D, Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services.

States are reminded that medication management, screening, and education to prevent incorrect medication and adverse drug reactions is included as one of the categories of service activities authorized under Title III, Part D of the Older Americans Act. Given the specific appropriation granted in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2001, States are instructed to ensure that an amount equivalent to this increase in funds from their total allotment for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Services is used for the purpose of providing activities related to medication management, screening, and education to prevent incorrect medication and adverse drug reactions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

ATTACHMENTS: None

INQUIRIES: Address inquiries to Regional Administrators on Aging, DHHS Regional Offices.

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