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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Community Living

#### Notice of Intent To Award a Single Supplement to the Eldercare Locator

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to award a single supplement to the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is announcing supplemental funding for the Eldercare Locator program. The Eldercare Locator program helps older adults and their families and caregivers find their way through the maze of services for older adults by linking to a trustworthy network of national, State, Tribal and community organizations and services through a nationally recognized toll-free number. The Eldercare Locator also provides older adults and caregivers who require more in depth support the opportunity to speak with highly trained eldercare consultants who can better triage the situation. The purpose of this announcement is to award supplemental funds to the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging to support additional specialized staff and enhanced technology to better serve callers, mobile and after hour callers.

*Program Name:* Eldercare Locator.

*Award Amount:* \$162,681.

*Budget Period:* 6/1/2015 to 5/31/2016.

*Award Type:* Cooperative Agreement.

**Statutory Authority:** The statutory authority for grants under this notice is contained in Title IV of the Older Americans Act (OAA) (42 U.S.C. 3032), as amended by the Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006. Statutory authority specifically for the Eldercare Locator is contained in Title II of the Older Americans Act (202(a)(21).

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number:* 93.048 Discretionary Projects

#### I. Program Description

The Administration on Aging, an agency of the U.S. Administration for Community Living, has been funding the Eldercare Locator (the Locator) since 1991. The Eldercare Locator links older

persons and their caregivers to resources through a nationally recognized toll-free number, 1-800-677-1116 and Web site ([www.eldercare.gov](http://www.eldercare.gov)). The goal is to provide users with the information and resources they need that will help older persons live independently and safely in their homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Eldercare Locator call center utilizes live agents to help callers find their way through the maze of services for older adults by linking to a trustworthy network of national, State, Tribal and community organizations and services. In 2011, an additional feature was added to assist older adults and caregivers who require more in depth support the opportunity to speak with highly trained eldercare consultants who can better triage the situation.

#### II. Justification for the Supplemental Funding

Since 2011, there has been an increase in the number of callers with very complex situations, multiple issues or require assistance with long-term care planning. Because of the complexity, eldercare consultant and senior staff calls are much longer than a regular information specialist call which averages about 5 minutes. There is a need to increase the number of eldercare consultants and/or senior level staff available to handle this higher demand for intense consultation. In addition, there is a need to enhance the technical capabilities of the call center to better serve after hours and mobile callers.

#### III. Agency Contact

For further information or comments regarding this program expansion supplement, contact Sherri Clark, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living, Office of External Affairs, One Massachusetts Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20001; telephone (202) 357-3506; email [sherri.clark@acl.hhs.gov](mailto:sherri.clark@acl.hhs.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration on Community Living

#### Availability of Program Instructions for MIPPA Funds Program Title: Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act: State Plans for Medicare Savings Program, Low Income Subsidy & Prescription Drug Enrollment Outreach and Assistance

*Announcement Type:* Initial.

*Funding Opportunity Number:* HHS-2015-ACL-MI-1502

*Statutory Authority:* The Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008—Section 119, Public Law (Pub. L.) 110-275 as amended by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 (Affordable Care Act), reauthorized by the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (ATRA), reauthorized by section 110 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 and reauthorized by the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 93.071.

**DATES:** The deadline date for the submission of MIPPA state plans is 11:59 PM EST, August 31, 2015.

#### I. Funding Opportunity Description

The purpose of MIPPA funding is to provide states with an opportunity to expand, extend, or enhance their outreach efforts to beneficiaries on Medicare Part D and for those with limited incomes. In 2014 ACL released a funding opportunity for states to submit a three year state plan to conduct MIPPA activities. With this announcement ACL is reopening the funding announcement for states that did not submit state plans in 2014 to now submit a two- year MIPPA state plan to conduct MIPPA activities over the remaining life of the grant.

States that are currently funded under MIPPA do not have to reapply.

In addition, in 2016 there will be a similar opportunity released for states that are not receiving MIPPA funds at that time to apply for FY 16 funds with a one year state plan.

MIPPA funds are provided to enhance efforts through statewide and local coalition building focused on intensified outreach activities to help beneficiaries likely to be eligible for the Low Income Subsidy program (LIS), Medicare Savings Program (MSP), Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) and in assisting beneficiaries in applying for benefits. ACL will provide funding to State Health Insurance