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MEMORANDUM

TO: AAA Directors **NOTICE #:** 111004-1-PC-SWCBS

FROM: Terry White
Secretary

DATE: November 10, 2004

SUBJECT: Notice of Policy Clarification: Relative to the Designation of Lead Agencies

The purpose of this notice is to clarify the Department's intent relative to the designation of CCE Lead Agencies. Subsection 430.203(9)(b), Florida Statutes, as amended by SB 1226, states the following: "The area agency on aging, in consultation with the department, shall exempt from the competitive bid process any contract with a provider who meets or exceeds established minimum standards, as determined by the department."

The department will develop formalized standards to be used to evaluate the necessity to bid for lead agency designation. Until minimum standards have been adopted, AAAs should follow their normal bid cycles for the designation of CCE lead agencies. This policy was previously articulated in Notice of Instruction # 080404-1-I-LA - CCE Contracts for SFY 04-05, issued to AAAs on August 4, 2004.

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