

Clarification for Area Plan Goal D Objectives 4, 5, and 6

Goal D: Ensure the rights of older people and prevent their abuse, neglect and exploitation.

OBJECTIVE 4: Support public education and training approaches for professionals, identified/developed by the Department, on elder abuse, neglect and exploitation prevention.

Clarification

Suggestions for describing your support of public education and training approaches include:

- Describe local strategies to improve coordination between elder abuse prevention coordinators and those in the community that can provide assistance with public education and training for professionals
- Describe local strategies to develop partnerships that can aid with public education and professional trainings

OBJECTIVE 5: Support statewide efforts to measure status and success of outreach activities and use available data to identify unmet service, enforcement or intervention needs.

Clarification

Statewide efforts to measure status and success of outreach activities include, but are not limited to, conducting evaluations on outreach activities, developing a system to record and keep data to be provided to the Department, ensuring targeting of services to those most in need. Suggestions for describing your support of these statewide efforts include:

- Describe local strategies of program evaluation
- Describe local strategies of record keeping for outreach events, professional trainings, and collaborative partnerships
- Describe local strategies to ensure prevention efforts are targeted those most in need by using available data

OBJECTIVE 6: Support statewide efforts to improve the quality and quantity of legal and advocacy assistance as a means for ensuring a comprehensive elder rights system.

Clarification

Statewide efforts to improve the quality and quantity of legal services include, but are not limited to, work on improving access to legal services, improving coordination between the aging network and the legal services delivery system, improving the quality of referrals to legal services, and ensuring targeting of services to those most in need. Suggestions for describing your support of these statewide efforts include:

- Describe local strategies to improve coordination between the ARC and Title IIIB legal services providers
- Describe local strategies to increase awareness of the availability of legal services through the Senior Legal Helpline and Title IIIB legal services, and of other legal resources such as the Older Floridians Handbook
- Describe local strategies planned to improve the quality of referrals to legal services and integrate legal resources into local referral mechanisms
- Describe local strategies to ensure Title IIIB legal services are targeted those most in need