

Nutrition, Transportation, & Support Services

Minimum Qualifications for Service Providers

NTS services are provided to seniors in a variety of settings and by various methods across the State. By submitting a proposal for a grant, an applicant certifies their ability to meet administrative and management requirements. Agencies are eligible to apply for a grant under 7 AAC 78.030¹. Typically there is a Request For proposals year and two continuation years after that. Eligible applicants include:

- Non Profit Organization Incorporated in the State of Alaska, or tax exempt under 26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)²
- Alaska Native Entity, as defined in 7 AAC 78.950(1). All applicants under this provision must submit with their signed Agreement, a Waiver of Sovereign Immunity, using the form provided.
- A political subdivision of the State, (City, Borough or Regional Education Attendance Area).

Service providers comply with the following:

- The Older Americans Act (OAA) of 1965 (and all amendments to the Act) under the Administration on Aging (AoA)
- Regulation under the US Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)³, US Department of Agriculture (USDA)⁴, and the federal Office of Management & Budget (OMB⁵)
- Federal Assurances & Certifications⁶
- State of Alaska, Department of Health & Social Services (DHSS) 7AAC 78 Grant Program Regulations⁷
- Privacy & Security Procedures for Providers⁸
- Resolution for Alaska Native Entities⁹
- Applicable laws, regulations, and administrative rules of the State of Alaska
- The Request For Proposals or Provider Agreement
- Grant Assurances¹⁰ and Grant Agreement

In addition, Providers that offer meals comply with:

- 7 AAC 81, Grant Services for Individuals, Revised 6/23/06 (for Nutrition Services Incentive Program NSIP)
- 18 AAC 31 Alaska Food Code¹¹ and Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Active Managerial Control¹²
- Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2010 (DGA 2010¹³)

¹ <http://touchngo.com/lglcntr/akstats/aac/title07/chapter078/section030.htm>

² http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/26/uscode_sec_26_00000501----000-.html

³ <http://www.hhs.gov/>

⁴ <http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome>

⁵ http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars_default

⁶ http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/wcfh/bchc/provider/assets/PA_AppdxC.pdf

⁷ <http://touchngo.com/lglcntr/akstats/aac/title07/chapter078.htm>

⁸ http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dbh/isa/crisis/PA_Appdx_C_Privacy_Security.pdf

⁹ http://www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/wcfh/bchc/provider/assets/PA_AppdxD.pdf

¹⁰ [http://notes3.state.ak.us/pn/pubnotic.nsf/0/e1502fb535c3d14789257863006d2007/\\$FILE/APPENDIX+B+-+DHSS+Assurances.pdf](http://notes3.state.ak.us/pn/pubnotic.nsf/0/e1502fb535c3d14789257863006d2007/$FILE/APPENDIX+B+-+DHSS+Assurances.pdf)

¹¹ <http://touchngo.com/lglcntr/akstats/aac/title18/chapter031.htm>

¹² <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/eh/fss/amc/amcbroch.htm>

¹³ <http://www.cnpp.usda.gov/dietaryguidelines.htm>