

Chapter 6
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DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS PROGRAMS AND SERVICES HANDBOOK

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Section 1: Overview

A. The primary purpose of the Title III D Evidence-based Disease Prevention and Health Promotion program is to provide services and activities that have been demonstrated through rigorous evaluation to be effective evidence-based programs to assist older adults in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. As set forth by the Older Americans Act, the Department shall give priority to areas of the State that are medically underserved, and areas where there are large numbers of older individuals who have the greatest economic need for Title III D services. Additionally, the OAA requires targeting services to older individuals with the greatest economic need and individuals with greatest social need, with particular attention to low-income individuals, including low-income minority individuals, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas. Title III D services may be provided through the following venues:

- Senior centers;
 - Congregate meal sites; and
 - Other appropriate senior locations.
- Descriptions of these services are included in Appendix A, Service Descriptions and Standards, of this Handbook.

Section II: Legal Authority

- Older Americans Act, Title III, Part D, Sections 361 42 U.S.C. 3030m, n

Section III: Eligibility

1. Persons Eligible: Persons 60 years of age or older.
2. Targeted Services: Services should be targeted to persons:
 - Residing in medically underserved areas; and
 - Residing in areas where many older individuals have the greatest economic need for services.
 - Low-income older individuals, including low-income minority elders, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older individuals residing in rural areas.
3. Restriction: Evidence-based disease prevention and health promotion services shall not include services for which payment may be made under Title VIII and Title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.).