

**Title 19—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES**  
**Division 15—Division of Senior and Disability Services**  
**Chapter 4—Older Americans Act**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

**19 CSR 15-4.020 Administration of the Older Americans Act.** The department is amending the purpose statement and sections (1), (2) and (3).

*PURPOSE: This amendment updates the name of the Department and Division and updates references to the area agencies on aging.*

*PURPOSE: This rule describes the organizational structure in the state for administration of Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended.*

(1) The Division of *[Aging]* **Senior and Disability Services**, within the Department of *[Social]* **Health and Senior Services**, is the single organizational unit that is delegated all authority and responsibility to administer programs *[for persons aged sixty (60) and over]* under Title III of the Older Americans Act of 1965, **as amended** and in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

(2) The division has designated ten (10) distinct planning and service areas (PSAs) within the state with one (1) *[A]*area *[A]*agency on *[A]*aging (AAA) in each PSA. These agencies are: *[Southwest Missouri Office on Aging (SMOA)]* **Senior Age Area Agency on Aging** (including Dallas, Polk, Dade, Lawrence, Greene, Webster, Wright, Texas, Shannon, Oregon, Howell, Douglas, Christian, Barry, Stone, Taney and Ozark counties); Southeast Missouri **Area Agency on Aging (SEMO), d/b/a Aging Matters** (including Cape Girardeau, Ste. Genevieve, Perry, St. Francois, Iron, Madison, Reynolds, Wayne, Bollinger, Scott, Mississippi, Stoddard, Butler, Ripley, Carter, New Madrid, Pemiscot and Dunklin counties); District III **Area Agency on Aging, d/b/a Care Connection for Aging Services** (including Chariton, Carroll, Saline, Lafayette, Johnson, Pettis, Henry, Benton, Bates, St. Clair, Hickory, Vernon and Cedar counties); *[Northwest Missouri AAA (NWAAA)]* **Young at Heart Resources** (including Atchison, Daviess, Nodaway, Worth, Harrison, Mercer, Putnam, Sullivan, Grundy, Gentry, Holt, Andrew, DeKalb, Buchanan, Clinton, Caldwell, Livingston and Linn counties); Northeast Missouri *[AAA]* **Area Agency on Aging (NEAAA)** (including Adair, Schuyler, Scotland, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Macon, Shelby, Marion, Randolph, Monroe, Ralls, Pike, Lincoln, Montgomery and Warren counties); Central Missouri *[AAA]* **Area Agency on Aging (CMAAA), d/b/a Aging Best** (including Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Cooper, Howard, Miller, Moniteau, Cole, Osage, Morgan, Gasconade, Crawford, Washington, Dent, Phelps, Maries, Pulaski, Laclede and Camden counties); Mid-America Regional Council, Department of Aging **and Adult Services** (including Ray, Clay, Platte, Jackson and Cass counties); *[Mid-East AAA (MEAAA)]* **Aging Ahead** (including St. Louis, St. Charles, Franklin and Jefferson counties); St. Louis **Area [AAA] Agency on Aging (SLAAA)** (St. Louis City); and Region X *[AAA]* **Area Agency on Aging** (including Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald counties).

(3) Any public or nonprofit private agency or office or agency of a unit of general purpose local government, regional planning area or metropolitan area which is designated to function only for the purpose of serving as an area agency **on aging** may apply to the division to be designated as a PSA. The division will consider the following factors in making a determination:

(B) The numbers of *[persons]* **adults** aged sixty (60) or older, including those with the greatest economic and social need;

*AUTHORITY: section [660.050] 192.2000, RSMo [1986]2016.\* This rule previously filed as 13 CSR 15-4.020. Original rule filed Jan. 6, 1986, effective April 30, 1986. Emergency amendment filed Jan. 5, 1989, effective Jan. 16, 1989, expired April 24, 1989. Amended: Filed Jan. 5, 1989, effective March 25, 1989. Moved to 19 CSR 15-4.020, effective Aug. 28, 2001.*

*\*Original authority: 660.050, RSMo 1984, amended 1988.*

*PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.*

*PRIVATE COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.*

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Senior and Disability Services, Melanie Highland, Division Director, PO Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570, Telephone: (573) 526-3626, or Email: DSDSDirectorsOffice@health.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*