

**Chapter 16:
Home and Community-Based Services**

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Chapter 16

Home and Community Based Services

16-1: Description of Home and Community Based Services

The goal of the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) is to provide eligible adults age 60 and over and adults with physical disabilities who are at risk of entering long-term care facilities the option of receiving services in their homes or in a community setting. Home and community-based services are state-funded (OPTIONS for Community Living) and federally-funded (Older Americans Act Title IIIB).

16-1-.01: Home and Community Based Services

(1) OPTIONS for Community Living

OPTIONS for Community Living (referred to as OPTIONS) is a state-funded program created to provide home and community-based services to adults age 60 and over and adults (18 years of age or older) with disabilities. OPTIONS is available through the local Area Agencies on Aging and Disability (AAAD). Services may include homemaker, personal care, and home delivered meals.

The authority for the Options program comes from *Tennessee Code Annotated 71-5-1416* as follows:

Funding to increase access to home and community-based services in the state-funded options program.

Subject to the availability of funding, the commissioner shall designate in each year's appropriations bill an amount of money that can be used to increase access to home and community-based services in the state-funded options program for persons who do not qualify for medicaid long-term care services. This funding may be used to provide services such as home-delivered meals, homemaker services and personal care, and to reduce the waiting list for these services under the options program, or to offer transportation services or assistance to non-medicaid-eligible individuals.

(2) Older Americans Act (OAA) Title IIIB

The Older Americans Act authorizes grants to the States under State approved plans for supportive services. One directive under this act includes providing “services

designed to assist older individuals in avoiding institutionalization and to assist individuals in long-term care institutions who are able to return to their communities.” The services are designed to enhance the capacity of individuals age 60 and over to remain self-sufficient in their homes and to maximize the informal support provided by caregivers. The services may include homemaker services, personal care services, adult day services, and chore services.

The AAADs receive the OAA federal funding from the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability (TCAD) to provide the identified services. All individuals age 60 and over are eligible for services; however, priority is given to those with greatest economic and social need.

16-1-.02: Program Eligibility

- (1) To be eligible for OPTIONS, the individual must:
 - (a) be a resident of Tennessee;
 - (b) be an adult age 60 and over and/or an adult age 18 and over with a documented assessment of a physical impairment;
 - (c) verify his/her age as 18 and over by utilizing any of the following documents: birth certificate, State issued ID, or military/veteran’s identification card. For individuals over the age of 60 who do not have access to necessary documents, they may complete and sign an Age Declaration statement.
 - (d) be assessed with a pre-defined level of limitations as determined by the most updated TCAD approved SAMS ILA (Appendix A);
 - (e) not be found eligible for TennCare CHOICES; and
 - (f) have a residence that is a safe setting for the individual and any service provider(s).
- (2) To be eligible of OAA Title IIIB, the individual must:
 - (a) reside in Tennessee;
 - (b) be an adult age 60 or over
 - (c) verify his/her age as 60 and over by utilizing any of the following documents: birth certificate, State issued ID, or military/veteran’s identification card. For individuals over the age of 60 who do not have access to necessary documents, they may complete and sign an Age Declaration statement.

- (d) be assessed with a pre-defined level of limitations as determined by the most updated TCAD approved SAMS ILA (Appendix A); and
- (e) have a residence that is a safe setting for the individual and any service provider(s).

16-1-.03: Steps to Obtaining Home and Community Based Services

For the person contacting the AAAD for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) and are eligible to receive services funded through OPTIONS or Title IIIB, the following outline the steps in the process to receive those services:

- (1) The AAAD will provide initial screening in order to determine the most appropriate referrals.
 - (a) When an individual appears to meet the functional and financial eligibility for TennCare CHOICES, the individual should be referred to the TennCare CHOICES Counselor. If an individual refuses the referral, individual may be screened and if appropriate placed on the waiting list for Nutrition Services or Title IIIB Supportive Services.
 - (b) All other individuals will be referred to other community services, and, if necessary, prioritized and placed on the waiting list for OPTIONS, Nutrition Services, or Title IIIB Supportive Services.
- (2) The AAAD will conduct an in-home assessment of those with ADL or IADL limitations to determine the need for in-home services.
- (3) The AAAD and the individual will develop a care plan to identify the services needed.
- (4) The AAAD with input from the individual will arrange for the delivery of HCBS either through an outside vendor or through the self-directed care component.
- (5) The AAAD will send authorization for services to the provider(s) selected.
- (6) Services identified in the care plan will begin within 5 working days of the receipt of the Provider Authorization by the service provider.

OPTIONS or Title IIIB funding for in-home services is limited. OPTIONS or Title IIIB funding is not intended to pay for services to meet all the needs of the individual.

16-1-.04: Options Counselor

Each individual shall have an assigned Options Counselor and shall be notified of the name, business address, and telephone number of the Options Counselor. The Options Counselor focuses on the personal goals of the individual for the long-term care supports needed for the individual to live as independently as possible in the setting of his/her choice. The Options Counselor assists the individual to make informed choices about long-term care supports; understand the home and community-based services available; understand the resources available to help pay for the services; and encourage the effective and efficient use of home and community-based services.

- (1) The Options Counselor must have the appropriate qualifications to work with adults age 60 and over and adults with disabilities utilizing a person-centered approach to making decisions about long-term supports and services as the alternative to nursing facilities or institutional placement.
 - (a) The minimum qualifications for the position of Options Counselor are as follows:
 - (i) A Bachelor's Degree in social work, psychology, gerontology, sociology, counseling, nursing, or equivalent degree; or
 - (ii) A minimum of completion of two (2) years attendance at an accredited college or university and a minimum of two (2) years experience in the field of social work or a related field.
- (2) The Options Counselor should have the following skills and knowledge:
 - (a) Understand the individual's right to control, choice, self-direction, dignity of risk, and self-determination in the provision of home and community based long-term care supports and services.
 - (b) Understand how to adapt communication methods to the sensory, verbal, physical, and cognitive abilities of adults age 60 and over and adults with disabilities.
 - (c) Utilize communication skills to support the individual in the decision-making process such as, but not limited to, active listening, paraphrasing, effective ways to ask questions while providing resources, and decision support to engage the individual and/or family/caregiver during the process.

- (d) Understand the concepts of individual choice, self-determination, and participation in the selection of the long-term supports and services.
- (e) Able to identify and refer the individual to community programs, services, and/or resources, including, but not limited to, medical, nutritional, transportation, and self-directed programs, that are available to meet the needs of the individual.
- (f) Understand diversity and multicultural considerations that need to be considered during each step of the process and programs and services that are appropriate to the individual's cultural needs.
- (g) Assist the individual to understand the concept and implications of aging in place and identify available services and resources as well as barriers to aging in place.
- (h) Recognize the common mental health conditions that can affect adults age 60 and over and adults with disabilities and know the referral resources and organizations available to address their needs.

If the Options Counselor does not have all the appropriate skills and knowledge required, the AAAD should have the Options Counselor participate in local education and training programs that have a focus in the person-centered approach.

16-1-.05: Service Coordination

The Options Counselor will provide service coordination whether it is in the form of access to services or care coordination to the individual who is experiencing diminished functioning capacity, personal conditions, and other characteristics that require service and meet the eligibility requirements.

Service coordination supports information sharing among agencies/organizations, service providers, types and levels of service, service sites, and timeframes to ensure that the individual's needs and preferences are achieved and that services are efficient and of high quality. Activities of service coordination include assessing needs, developing care plans, authorizing services, arranging services, coordinating the provision of services, follow-up and reassessment. Service coordination ensures non-duplication of services by identifying the services and/or service providers, the informal supports, and resources that are currently being utilized and/or provided to the individual.

16-1-.06: Care Plan

The Options Counselor shall work with the individual and the family support system to develop care plan. The care plan specifies the types, frequency, and amount of in-home services provided to an individual based on a comprehensive assessment of the individual’s needs. Service decisions shall always be made in the best interest of the individual. The care plan must be discussed and developed with the participation of individual ensuring the plan meets their needs. The care plan must be documented in the SAMS database. Individuals must sign the Signature Page (Appendix J) including marking the section “Care Plan” which indicates that the individual was involved in the development of their care plan. If an individual is unable sign, it must be signed by their Authorized Representative.

(1) Care Plan Components

The care plan in the SAMS database must document at a minimum the following:

- (a) The specific support services needed including the frequency and duration of each service;
- (b) Start and end date of services;
- (c) Primary care manager (Options Counselor);
- (d) Allocated units of service;
- (e) The name of the provider that will be providing the service; and,
- (f) Cost of services

(2) Changes to Care Plan

Care Plans must be updated when a service is decreased, increased, discontinued, or a new service is added. Any changes to the Care Plan must be approved by the individual during an in-home visit or by phone. Changes to the Care Plan must be documented in a case note that the change was discussed and approved by the individual.

An individual is considered in Interrupted Status if the individual does not receive services for thirty (30) days due to hospitalization or other causes. The Options Counselor should maintain regular contact with the individual during this time.

The AAAD may terminate an individual from the program after the care recipient has been in Interrupted Status for thirty (30) days. If an individual has been terminated for services due to being in Interrupted Status and they return home from hospital or nursing home facility

and they are still in need of services, the AAAD may choose to reassess and reactivate services without placing the individual on the waiting list if there is a slot available.

(3) Care Plan Not Developed

If any of the following conditions apply, a care plan shall not be developed:

- (a) if the individual (and/or his/her representative) notifies/tells the Options Counselor that he/she does not want to proceed with the development of the care plan;
- (b) if the individual (and/or his/her representative) refuses to release or provide information that is necessary to the development of the care plan; or
- c) if the community resources are not available or the cost is above the \$7,000 limit to develop and carry out the care plan.

16-1-.07: Services

(1) Assessment and Reassessment

The most updated SAMS Independent Living Assessment developed by TCAD shall be used by the AAAD to assess the individual's risk of losing his/her independence and to assist in the development of a care plan, if appropriate. The assessment gathers information about health and nutritional status, financial status, Activities of Daily Living (eating, bathing, dressing, toileting, transferring/walking, and continence), Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (ability to use telephone, shopping, food preparation, housekeeping, laundry, transportation, responsibility for own medications, and ability to handle finances), physical environment, and social support system. All assessments shall be completed in a face-to-face interview with the individual and family support.

A reassessment is required at least annually to be completed within 30 days of the previous assessment end date for all in-home services; however, the Options Counselor should be alert for changes in an individual's condition or circumstances that may warrant a reassessment at an earlier date. A six (6) month reassessment may be completed on an individual if the Options Counselor sees the need. During the in-home reassessment, if the OPTIONS individual appears to functionally and financially qualify for CHOICES, then he or she must be referred to CHOICES. If TennCare determines that the individual is eligible for CHOICES but the individual declines CHOICES, then

the individual must be removed from OPTIONS services; however, the individual may be placed on the Title III-B Supportive Services or Nutrition program or waiting list.

The individual may be functionally impaired as determined by the following for each of the services:

- (a) homemaker: a total score (ADL/IADL) of at least three (3) with one (1) being an IADL;
- (b) personal care: a total score (ADL/IADL) of at least three (3) with one (1) being an ADL;
- (c) home-delivered meals: in order to receive meals, an individual shall be:
 - (i) physically or mentally unable to obtain food, prepare meals, or lack support to have meals provided for them – meal preparation IADL; and
 - (ii) frail (45 CFR 1321.69; defined at 45 USC Sec. 102 [22] – 2 ADL limitations or cognitive impairment; or
 - (iii) homebound or otherwise isolated (45 CFR 1321.69) – response to homebound screen (on ILA) and documented in case notes based on the following:
 - a. Leaving home is not recommended due to the condition of the individual; or
 - b. Leaving home takes a considerable and taxing effort; or
 - c. The individual’s condition keeps him/her from leaving home without help (such as using a wheelchair or walker, needing special transportation, or getting help from another person); or
 - d. The individual is unable to access a congregate meal site.

(2) Funded Services

The services provided by the state-funded OPTIONS or through OAA Title IIIB include the following:

(a) Homemaker Services

The Homemaker Services provider completes household tasks that enable an individual to live in a clean, safe, and sanitary home environment, including those Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL), such as:

- (i) shopping for groceries and personal items;

- (ii) meal preparation;
- (iii) managing money;
- (iv) using the telephone; and
- (v) light housework.

(b) Personal Care

The Personal Care provider provides personal assistance, stand-by assistance, or supervision for the individual having difficulty with one or more of the Activities of Daily Living (ADL). These ADLs include:

- (i) eating;
- (ii) dressing;
- (iii) bathing;
- (iv) walking;
- (v) toileting; and/or
- (vi) transferring in and out of bed or chair.

Homemaker Services and Personal Care must be provided in accordance with the Rules of the Department of Mental and Developmental Disabilities Office of Licensure Chapter 0940-5-38, Minimum Requirements for Personal Support Service Agencies or Rules of the Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Office of Licensure Chapter 0465-02-17, Minimum Program Requirements for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Personal Support Services Agencies.

(c) Home-delivered Meals

Home-delivered Meals are nutritionally-balanced and meet at least one-third (1/3) of the current Dietary Reference Intakes (DRI) and is delivered to the individual's house.

(d) Other Services

Other services may be provided if the Options Counselor sees there is a need to provide minimal services in order to maintain the individual within the home. Any other services provided by State allocation must have prior approval by the Director of the AAAD. These services may include Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), pest control, and limited home modifications.

(3) Home Environment and Safety

A Home Environment Checklist shall be completed by the Options Counselor to assess the safety and accessibility of an individual's homes prior to individual receiving services. This checklist is a part of the SAMS ILA. The Options Counselor may use this checklist to determine the safety of both the individual and service providers. The checklist may also be used as an opportunity to talk with the individual about assistance that may be available to correct problems in and around the home and to offer the necessary referrals.

Each AAAD will be responsible for having a written policy to review the potential denial of services due to home environment and safety. An individual denied services due to home environment and safety has the right to make a grievance complaint, if desired. Grievance complaints will be reviewed by the grantee agency in accordance with the agency's grievance policy.

(4) Individual's Right to Self-Determination

Each individual has the right to choose how they will live as well as where they will live, if he/she are competent to make that decision and are able to understand the consequences of their actions. All adult individuals are presumed legally competent unless deemed incompetent by a court. However, it is essential that the Options Counselor not approve in-home services for individuals who are in an environment or situation that is clearly unsafe for the individual or for the workers who come into the home.

Reports to Adult Protective Services (APS) are mandated by state law when "any person" has reasonable cause to suspect abuse, neglect (including self-neglect), or financial exploitation. This includes neighbors, friends, relatives, doctors, dentists, caregivers, agency personnel, etc. (Adult Protection Act T.C.A. 71-6-103(b); <https://reportadultabuse.dhs.tn.gov/>)

(5) Follow-Up

It is recommended that the Options Counselor contact the individual semi-annually following the implementation of the care plan to ensure that the needs of the individual are being met. If follow-up calls are completed, they should be documented in a case note.

16-1-.08: Priority for Provision of Services

In providing home and community-based services, priority shall be given to Adult Protective Service (APS) clients and low-income individuals.

(1) Adult Protective Service

The following conditions apply:

- (a) Funding to provide services must be available.
- (b) The APS Referral for Priority HCBS Services form (Appendix B) must be approved and signed by the APS Unit Supervisor before the referral is submitted to the AAAD. If a referral is submitted to the AAAD prior to APS Unit Supervisor's approval, the AAAD must return the referral.
- (c) The APS case will be kept open for at least 30 days following the date of the referral or from the date of the individual receiving OPTIONS services. This time period allows the Options Counselor and the assigned APS staff to communicate to assure that services are appropriate. The assigned APS staff must communicate the intent to close the APS care before it is closed.
- (d) The individual's needs must be determined by APS to be severe and without intervention to stabilize the home environment there would be harm to the individual.
- (e) The Intake Screening will be completed by the I&A staff at the AAAD based on the information provided in the APS referral document as well as phone call with individual if needed. If the score and the level of need for the APS clients are comparable to non-APS individuals on the AAAD wait list, the APS client will be added to the existing program wait list. A Notice of Action will be provided to the APS staff informing them of this decision. Individuals with the highest score and are on the wait list the longest, will be pulled off first to be assessed when there is funding available.

(2) Low income individuals

The following conditions apply:

- (a) Must meet the Federal Poverty Guidelines that change annually. (Appendix E)
- (b) Funding to provide services must be available.

16-1-.09: Administrative Requirements

(1) TCAD shall:

- (a) designate a coordinator to oversee program development implementation of the home and home and community-based services
 - (b) develop and maintain consistent standards and mechanisms
 - (c) provide technical assistance as needed
 - (d) assume quality assurance responsibilities for all home and community-based services programs to ensure compliance with standards, policies, and procedures of TCAD.
- (2) At a minimum, each AAAD shall:
- (a) coordinate HCBS with other program and service systems serving adults age 60 and over and adults with disabilities
 - (b) conduct competitive bid process and choose service providers for authorization
 - (c) conduct contract compliance monitoring with service providers annually and renew contracts based upon performance and satisfactory compliance with contract specifications and quality assurance monitoring including service providers who provide service coordination
 - (d) apply Cost Sharing Plan
 - (e) compile and maintain a wait list for OPTIONS, OAA Title IIIB, and Nutrition
 - (f) ensure appropriate program/financial reporting, billing, and budget reconciliation.
- (3) Service providers must:
- (a) be licensed in accordance with the regulations of the State prior to performing any services. Service providers providing in-home services (homemaker and personal care) must have a PSSA license or be licensed as a home health care agency
 - (b) provide services and units of service that is consistent with the Provider Authorization
 - (c) notify the Options Counselor of any changes in an individual's condition/health/needs to the AAAD within five business days by phone or email and document in the individual's case note.
 - (d) keep documentation of all contact with or on the behalf of the individual and ensure that the assigned task identified in the Provider Checklist are carried out
 - (e) keep documentation of each service provided with each visit, which includes a services rendered checklist that is signed by the individual and the worker

- (f) have methods and procedures in place for the collection and reporting of individual specific data, including but not limited to rosters, invoices, and daily logs and provide to the AAAD by the 10th day of the month following the month being reported
- (g) comply with all state laws relating to mandated reporting of abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation and shall immediately make a report to appropriate officials for follow-up, conditions or circumstances which place the individual, or the household of the individual, in danger.

16-1-.10: Confidentiality

Details and identity shall not be disclosed without the individual's informed consent, except in compliance with court orders or to report elder abuse as required by T.C.A. 71-6-101, The Tennessee Adult Protection Act. The following protocols cover day-to-day situations involving individual records and office procedures and the protection of the individual's right to confidentiality:

- (1) All individual files must be locked during non-working hours. During working hours, files may be unlocked if staff is present in the area. If staff is out of the office for more than one-half hour, even if in the building, the files should be locked.
 - (a) The key to the file cabinet should be controlled in each office.
 - (b) The original individual files must not leave the office.
 - (c) Copies of assessments that are done in individual homes must be secured in a locked file.
 - (d) Discretion in discussing individual information shall always be employed. Many staff share office space with program staff from other agencies. Files should not be left on desks in plain view. No lists of names are to be left in view on bulletin boards. Discussion of individual information shall not be held in hallways or with staff not authorized to be involved with the individual.
 - (e) Data that are transferred electronically must be adequately secured to avoid unauthorized access.
 - (f) A confidentiality notice must accompany all facsimile (FAX) transmissions.

- (2) All electronic client data shall be maintained on agency controlled or authorized computers.
 - (a) All computers must be password protected.
 - (b) All electronic client data must be encrypted while stored on mobile or remote computing platforms and protected from unauthorized access, modification, and/or destruction at all times.
 - (c) AAAD shall have a written internal policy and procedure addressing the security of electronic client data that complies with HIPAA requirements.
- (3) The AAAD shall always maintain the confidentiality of individual files and records. Such files and records shall not be disclosed except:
 - (a) to the individual or his/her representative;
 - (b) to TCAD or other state agencies for purposes of monitoring and securing home and community-based services with a signed Release of Information;
 - (c) to Tennessee Department of Human Services/Adult Protective Services Division worker; and
 - (d) under court order.
- (4) The AAAD shall use individual records for purpose of the coordination of other related services only. Any disclosure of information in an individual's file for purposes of coordinating related services shall be limited to the information that is directly relevant to and required by the other related services.

16-1-.11: Records

- (1) Each AAAD shall maintain separate records for each individual who applies for or receives home and community-based services. Records for each individual must include at a minimum the following:
 - (a) individual's name, address, and telephone number (cell number and email information, if available);
 - (b) individual's date of birth, gender, race/ethnicity;
 - (c) physician's name, address, and telephone number; (cell number and email information, if available);

- (d) name, address, and telephone number of a person, other than spouse or relative with whom the individual resides, to contact in case of emergency (cell phone and/or email, if available);
 - (e) ADL/IADL status;
 - (f) documented disability due to a physical impairment;
 - (g) rural status;
 - (h) living alone status;
 - (i) whether or not the individual has an income at or below the poverty level for intake and reporting purposes; and
 - (j) eligibility requirements for service authorization as determined by ADLs/IADLs.
- (2) Each individual's records shall be maintained by the AAAD for five (5) years plus the current year.

16-1-.12: Funding

The following guidelines apply to funding expenditures. Reimbursement rate for services is contained in Appendix C.

- (1) The in-home support services must relate directly and clearly to the individual's care plan.
- (2) The allowable cost for each individual is the maximum amount of funds that can be used to provide services to the individual and the care plan total cost must not exceed the maximum allowable cost.
- (3) Funds cannot pay for services provided through or covered by any other provider or any other insurance or payment system.
- (4) Home and community-based services provided under OPTIONS or Title IIIB shall not exceed a maximum of \$7,000 annually per individual.
- (5) In an effort to ensure program and financial accountability for the State OPTIONS funding, the AAAD shall not move individuals from Federal Title III funding to State OPTIONS funding.
- (6) The total maximum annual amount of funding per individual must not exceed \$7,000 regardless of the funding source including when individuals receive services from multiple funding sources.

16-1-.13: Cost Sharing and Participant Contribution Requirements

- 1) Administrative Requirements
 - a) Utilize a sliding fee scale with the following considerations:
 - i) Cost sharing shall be based solely on household income and the cost of delivering services to determine the cost share for HCBS.
 - ii) Determine eligibility for cost share by declaration of income with no requirement for verification.
 - iii) Assets, savings, or other property owned by the individual shall not be considered when defining low-income individual who is exempt from cost sharing, when creating a sliding scale for cost sharing or when seeking contributions.
 - iv) The cost share computation form may be found in Appendix D.
 - b) adhere to the cost sharing requirements for the individual funded in whole or in part by HCBS funding
 - c) implement cost sharing for all HCBS services except for:
 - i) information and assistance, outreach, benefits counseling, or case management services;
 - ii) ombudsman, elder abuse prevention, legal assistance, or other individual protection services;
 - iii) congregate and home delivered meals; and
 - iv) any services delivered through tribal organizations.
 - d) any funds received as the result of cost sharing must be:
 - (i) put back in the program as program income.
 - (ii) disbursed in a timely manner.
 - (iii) used to expand the service for which the income was given.
 - (iv) not be used for matching.
 - e) use methods for receiving cost share payments and contributions that protect the privacy and confidential of each individual in declaration or non-declaration of income and to any share of costs paid or unpaid by the individual.
 - f) invoice the individual for the cost share amount, issue a receipt of payment to the individual, and keep a record of accounts receivable for cost share payment.

- g) not deny OAA funding to any individual due to the income of the individual or the individual's failure to make cost sharing payment.
- h) make a good faith effort to collect cost sharing obligation above \$25 per month. TCAD may approve a waiver for the AAAD if:
 - (i) a significant proportion of persons receiving HCBS have low incomes below the threshold established by TCAD (See Appendix E for Federal Poverty Guidelines); or
 - (ii) cost sharing would be an unreasonable administrative or financial burden on the AAAD.

2) Cost Share Procedure

The following identify the steps in developing the cost share plan based on the individual's care plan and notifying the individual about the amount of cost share.

- a) During initial home visit, determine household income for the individual and/or spouse.
- b) For individual's above the Federal Poverty Line, the Options Counselor will complete the Cost Share Worksheet (Appendix D) to determine an estimated cost share amount to be paid by the individual and will advise the individual of the estimated amount.
- c) The individual will receive an enrollment letter with the estimated amount of the individual's cost share.

16-1-.14: Cost Effectiveness and Non-Duplication of Services

In order to ensure that all individuals eligible for HCBS can be served in a cost effective and efficient manner, three separate waiting lists will be maintained including one for Title IIIB Supportive Services, Nutrition, and OPTIONS.

- (1) All individuals who are screened and appear to be eligible for CHOICES will be referred directly to the CHOICES Counselor.
- (2) Individuals who are screened and appear to be eligible for Title IIIB Supportive Services, Nutrition Services, or OPTIONS will be placed on the appropriate waiting list.
- (3) Individuals who are qualified for CHOICES and declines CHOICES are not eligible to receive OPTIONS services; however, they may be placed on the Title IIIB Supportive Services waiting list, on the Nutrition waiting list, or may choose the private pay option.

- (4) When an individual receiving OPTIONS services is reassessed for services during the annual visit and is found to be eligible for CHOICES, the Options Counselor will make a referral to CHOICES. Options services may continue for up to 10 days from the CHOICES date the Options Counselor is notified of enrollment to ensure that the individual retains services until CHOICES services begin.
- (5) If the individual who is receiving OPTIONS is found to be qualified for CHOICES but declines CHOICES, the AAAD may move the individual to Title IIIB Supportive Services.

16-1-.15: Reduction in Services

The AAAD shall reduce services in any of the following circumstances:

- (1) The assessed level of need diminishes as established by an updated care plan.
- (2) The AAAD's funds are insufficient to meet the service commitment to current individuals; all reasonable efforts have been made to secure resources to avoid services reductions; the AAAD has stopped performing new assessments and care plans; and the AAAD has adopted a fair and equitable policy for distributing service reductions among individuals. The fair equitable policy should be based upon the following criteria:
 - (a) The agency will suspend new enrollment.
 - (b) Upon the discharge or death of an individual, the agency will not fill the vacant slot.
 - (c) The Options Counselors will reduce all care plans not to exceed \$2,500 per plan.
 - (d) If necessary, the AAAD will terminate individuals from the program on a case-by-case basis.

16-1-.16: Termination of Services

The AAAD shall terminate services in any of the following situations:

- (1) The individual currently receiving OPTIONS services is re-assessed and qualifies for CHOICES, OPTIONS funding will continue until the individual begins receiving services from CHOICES.
- (2) The current individual becomes eligible for HCBS from other sources for which the individual was not previously eligible and is now receiving those services.

- (3) The individual's health or personal circumstances have improved so that the person no longer needs HCBS to maintain his/her independence in a safe, non-institutional environment.
- (4) Other resources become available in the community and the individual begins receiving those services that were not available at the time of the development of the previous care plan.
- (5) The health, welfare, or safety of the individual or providers can no longer be reasonably assured.
- (6) The individual (or his/her representative) has fraudulently obtained or misused HCBS funded services.
- (7) The individual is in the hospital for longer than thirty (30) days or has a permanent placement in a nursing facility.
- (8) The individual receiving services passed away.
- (9) The individual (or his/her representative) voluntarily requests termination.
- (10) The individual (or his/her representative) refuses service necessary for his/her health and well-being.
- (11) No service providers are willing to provide services, or no service providers are available in the area.

16-1-.17: Missed Visits

“Missed visit” is the term used when the provider fails to keep the scheduled appointment for services or the individual receiving services fails to be available for a scheduled appointment. “Missed visit” applies to both the provider and individual. Any missed visit by either the provider or individual should be reported to the Options Counselor and be recorded in the missed visit log. If a service provider misses three (3) visits within a year without notifying the individual and the individual is available to receive services, the individual will be advised to change providers. If the individual fails to be available to receive services three (3) times within a year without notifying the provider of the change in schedule, the individual will receive a letter from the AAAD advising him/her that services may be terminated.

16-1-.18: Quality Assurance

The AAAD will monitor the following:

- (1) Individual Satisfaction Surveys

The program should conduct individual satisfaction surveys on an annual basis. The results of the surveys shall be analyzed, and a report produced that documents the evaluation of provider efforts.

(2) Provider Review

The AAAD shall conduct an annual review of service providers to ensure that all services are in compliance with the provider contract and to track the performance of the service provider utilizing the Service Provider Compliance Review tool developed by TCAD.

(a) Complaints and Incidents

A complaint may be any verbal or written communication that expresses dissatisfaction with something or someone. An incident is an occurrence that caused or had the potential to cause harm and/or a breach of security and/or confidentiality. Complaints and/or incidents must be promptly noted in the Complaint and Incident Log. The Log must document and detail the nature of the complaint and/or incident, the individuals involved, and the resolution of the complaint and/or incident. It should also be noted and corrected whenever providers consistently show up on the Complaints and Incidents list.

(b) Missed Visits

The Missed Visit Report will be checked to ensure that both the provider and the individual receive services as scheduled and that action has been taken to resolve the impact on the provider and/or the individual. The Missed Visit Report shall include the date(s) of the missed visit, the reason(s) for the missed visit, and the action taken to resolve the situation.

16-1-.19: Reporting Requirements

The data shall be entered into SAMS no later than the 20th of the month following the month being reported. When the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the report will be due on the following business day. TCAD will review the SAMS data on a monthly basis. As required by the State Budget Office, the AAAD will submit monthly statistical data regarding OPTIONS that includes monthly enrollment, overall monthly expenditures, contracted services expenditures, and number of individuals on the waiting list.

16-1-.20: Background Checks

This program must be in compliance with Background Check Chapter of the TCAD Program and Policy Manual.

16-1-.21: Individual Transfers Between AAADs

Current individuals who move from one region to another region within Tennessee shall continue to receive services maintaining a seamless system. The individual shall be transferred to the AAAD that serves the county to which the individual moved. If there is an open slot, then the receiving AAAD would place the individual into that open slot. If the receiving AAAD has no open slot available, the receiving AAAD would not deny services, but would arrange for services to be provided to the individual and would bill the transferring AAAD the cost to provide services to the individual. The receiving AAAD would continue to bill the transferring AAAD on a monthly basis until an open slot becomes available. The receiving AAAD shall provide the transferring AAAD with written notice of the available slot and final billing.

16-1-.22: OPTIONS for Community Living: Self Directed Care

If an individual meets all the eligibility requirements for OPTIONS but would like more control over his/her services and providers than offered by the previously described OPTIONS program, the individual may select OPTIONS: Self-Directed Care often referred to as “consumer directed”. The individual has the decision-making authority over his/her services and providers and takes direct responsibility for managing his/her services. The individual (or his/her authorized representative) will work with the OPTIONS Counselor to:

- 1) identify his/her needs;
- 2) determine how and when those needs will be met;
- 3) select the providers, such as family, friends, agency, etc.;
- 4) develop a spending plan for use of the funds; and
- 5) evaluate the quality of services he/she receives.

The individual will be responsible for providing training to and supervising those providing the services. A fiscal intermediary service provides assistance to the individual to ensure all the fiscal requirements are met by the individual as the employer.

TCAD has contracted with a provider of fiscal intermediary services. An individual assessed by the AAAD as eligible for self-directed services can hire his/her own personal assistant or other help whose job duties might include housekeeping, laundry, cooking, personal

care, and transportation. The goal of the program is to avoid institutionalization and related higher costs.

For OPTIONS: Self-Directed Care, general program policies include the following:

- (1) The individual will not be able to have the fiscal intermediary service pay employees and/or providers on his/her behalf until:
 - (a) the individual enrollment paperwork is complete;
 - (b) the provider employee paperwork is complete;
 - (c) the provider training and background checks are complete; and
 - (d) the fiscal intermediary service receives an approved authorization from the Options Counselor.

The fiscal intermediary service's standard method of paperwork distribution is for the Options Counselor to download provider packets from the program website.

However, packets can be mailed upon request.

- (2) The individual will be the employer of record (EOR) unless the family determines that he/she needs a representative to serve in this capacity or the individual has an existing Employer Identification Number (EIN).
- (3) If the individual has a conservator/Power of Attorney, conservatorship paperwork must be sent to the fiscal intermediary service.
- (4) All documents for individuals and providers will be stored in the document management system for viewing on the Web Portal.
- (5) Spouses and conservators of participants/employers/authorized representatives may not provide services in this program.
- (6) There is no limit to the number of providers a consumer may hire; however, providers may only be on staff for more than one consumer if they have a Personal Support Service Agency (PSSA) license.
- (7) Background and registry checks are conducted for all employees.

For further specifics regarding the program, the complete document can be found in Appendix F.

**Social Assistance Management System
Independent Living Assessment
(SAMS ILA) and Guide**

SAMS ILA 2018

A	Intake/Assessment		Req?
	Intake/Assessment	1144 1	What is the date of the assessment? Yes <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> - <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> - <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; font-size: 8px; margin-top: 2px;"> Month Day Year </div> </div>
		1145 2	Specify the type of assessment, or the reason for the assessment. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Initial assessment <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Reassessment
		1001 3	What is the name of the person conducting this assessment? Yes <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		2999 4	Describe formal/informal supports already in place. No <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		5695 5	Comment on type of assistance requested. Yes <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
B	Individual Identification		Req?
	Individual Identification	1128 1	What is the client's first name? Yes <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		1493 2	Enter the client's 'also known as' first name. No <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		1129 3	What is the client's middle initial? No <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		1127 4	What is the client's last name? Yes <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin-top: 5px;"/>
		1134 5	What is the client's date of birth? Yes <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 5px;"> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> - <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> - <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black;" type="text"/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; font-size: 8px; margin-top: 2px;"> Month Day Year </div> </div>
		4297 6	What document was used to verify the client's age? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Birth certificate

B	Individual Identification		Req?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 State issued identification	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Military/veteran's identification card	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 Self declaration	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	5 Other (Answer next question if this is chosen)	
4298	7	What other document was used to verify the client's age? _____	No
1131	8	What is the client's Pension/Social Security Number? (Optional or collect if making CHOICES referral) _____-_____-_____	No
1495	9	Enter the client's telephone number. _____	Yes
6627	10	Alternate telephone number for client _____	No
5362	11	What is the client's e-mail address? _____ _____	No
1501	12	Enter the client's residential address. _____	Yes
1502	13	Enter the client's residential city or town. _____	Yes
1408	14	Enter the client's state of residence. _____	Yes
1409	15	Enter the client's residential zip code. _____	Yes
1724	16	What county does the client reside in? _____	Yes
1505	17	Describe how to get to the client's home. _____ _____ _____	No
1497	18	Enter the client's mailing street address or Post Office box. _____	Yes
1498	19	Enter the client's mailing city or town. _____	Yes

B		Individual Identification		Req?
	1499	20	Enter the client's mailing state. _____	Yes
	1500	21	Enter the client's mailing ZIP code. _____	Yes
	1012	22	Select the client's current living arrangement.	Yes
	Score: 3		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Lives Alone (3) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Lives with spouse only <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Lives with spouse and others <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Lives with others.	
C		Demographics		Req?
Demographics	4005	1	What is the client's ethnicity? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Not Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Unknown	Yes
	4006	2	What is the client's race? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 American Indian/Native Alaskan <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Asian <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Black/African American <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Non-Minority (White, Non-Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> 6 White-Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Other	Yes
	1133	3	What is the client's gender? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Male <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Female <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Other	Yes
	1010	4	Select the client's current marital status. <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Single <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Married <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Widowed <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Separated <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Other	Yes
D		Caregiver Identification		Req?
Caregiver Identification	1066	1	Does the client have an identified primary (informal) helper/caregiver who provides care on a regular basis? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, If no, skip to next section. (2)	Yes
	Score: 2			

D	Caregiver Identification			Req?
	4732	2	What is the caregiver's first name? _____	No
	4731	3	What is the caregiver's last name? _____	No
	2531	4	Caregiver's birth date? <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px; margin-top: 5px;"> Month Day Year </div>	No
	4734	5	What is the caregiver's telephone number? _____	No
	5363	6	What is the caregiver's e-mail address? _____ _____	No
	2545	7	What is the address of the client's caregiver? _____ _____ _____	No
	2548	8	What is the client's caregiver's Zip Code? _____	No
	5360	9	What is the caregiver's relationship to the elderly care recipient? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Child <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Spouse/Partner/Significant other <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Other relative <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Other non-relative	No
	1429	10	How often does the client receive assistance from the primary caregiver? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Daily <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Several times a week <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Less than weekly	No
E	Emergency Contacts			Req?
	Emergency Contacts	2400	1 Name of Friend or Relative (outside client's home) to contact in case of an Emergency. _____	Yes
		2401	2 Relationship of Friend or Relative (outside client's home) to contact in case of an Emergency. _____	Yes

E		Emergency Contacts		Req?
	2402	3	Primary Telephone Number of Friend or Relative (outside client's home) to contact in case of an Emergency. _____	Yes
	2403	4	Alternate Telephone Number of Friend or Relative (outside client's home) to contact in case of an Emergency. _____	No
	1040	5	What is the name of a second relative or friend of the client? _____	No
	1503	6	What is the home phone number of the second relative or friend of the client? _____	No
	1504	7	What is the alternate phone number of the second relative or friend of the client? _____	No
	1514	8	Does the client have a power of attorney? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes, Health <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Yes, Finances <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Yes, Both <input type="checkbox"/> 4 No (If no, skip to question #11) <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Don't Know (If don't know, skip to question # 11)	No
	1515	9	What is the name of the client's power of attorney? _____	No
	1517	10	Enter the phone number of the client's power of attorney. _____	No
	2228	11	Does the client have a living will? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
F		Social Screening		Req?
	Social Screening	1559	1 Is there a friend or relative that could take care of the client for a few days? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No (3) Score: 3	Yes
G		Health Screening		Req?
	Health Screening	1561	1 How does the client rate his/her health? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Good Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Fair (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Poor (2)	Yes

G	Health Screening		Req?
	4292 2	In the past year, how many times has the client stayed overnight in a hospital? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Not at all Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Once (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 2 or 3 times (2) Score: 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 More than 3 times (3)	Yes
	1566 3	Has the client fallen in the past three months? Score: 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes (3) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
	2714 4	Is the client homebound? Score: 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes (3) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
	1124 5	Indicate which of the following conditions/diagnoses the client currently has. <input type="checkbox"/> Alzheimers disease/other Dementia <input type="checkbox"/> Ankle/leg swelling <input type="checkbox"/> Any urinary or bowel problems <input type="checkbox"/> Arthritis/rheumatic disease/gout <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic pain <input type="checkbox"/> Contagious/Communicable Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Do you take any medication for depression or anxiety <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever had a stroke <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing impairment <input type="checkbox"/> Heart problems <input type="checkbox"/> Hypertension <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual/Developmental disability <input type="checkbox"/> Memory Loss <input type="checkbox"/> Missing limb (e.g., amputation) <input type="checkbox"/> Problems with breathing <input type="checkbox"/> Tremors <input type="checkbox"/> Vision problems <input type="checkbox"/> Other significant illness <input type="checkbox"/> None of the Above	Yes
	1126 6	Enter any comments regarding the client's medical conditions/diagnoses. <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	No

H	Mental Health Observations			Req?
	Mental Health Observations	7406 1	Can the client express basic needs and wants? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
		1936 2	How many days per week does the client have problems making him/herself understood? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Never Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Sometimes (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Always (2)**	Yes
		7391 3	Can the client understand and follow simple instructions? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
		1938 4	How many days per week does the client have problems understanding others? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Never Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Sometimes (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Always (2)**	Yes
		1978 5	How is the client's orientation to people? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 No apparent problem Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Sometimes a problem - 1 to 3 days (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Often a problem - 4 to 7 days (2) **	Yes
		1969 6	How is the client's orientation to place? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 No apparent problem Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Sometimes a problem - 1 to 3 days (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Often a problem - 4 to 7 days (2) **	Yes
		4888 7	Has the individual exhibited behavior problems? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 No apparent problem Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Sometimes a problem - 1 to 3 days (1) Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Often a problem - 4 to 7 days (2) **	Yes
		1460 8	Indicate the behaviors the client has demonstrated. <input type="checkbox"/> Verbal disruption <input type="checkbox"/> Physical aggression <input type="checkbox"/> Disruptive behavior <input type="checkbox"/> Delusional <input type="checkbox"/> Getting lost/wandering <input type="checkbox"/> Presents other problems	No
I	ADL/IADL and Other Limitations			Req?
	ADL	1081 1	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to BATHE without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	Yes

I	ADL/IADL and Other Limitations		Req?
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA - Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help) - 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help) - 4	
	1077 2	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to Dressing without help?	Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA -Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help) - 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help) - 4	
	1074 3	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to TRANSFER without help?	Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA - Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help) - 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help)** - 4	
	1076 4	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to GET AROUND THE HOME without help?	Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA - Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help)- 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help)** - 4	
	1078 5	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to EAT without help?	Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA - Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help) - 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help)** - 4	
	1079 6	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to USE THE TOILET without help?	Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1	
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA - Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2	
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help)- 3	
	Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help)** - 4	
	2118 7	Enter the total ADL impariments as calculated above. (This is the SAMS ADL score and cannot be greater than 6. They get 1 point for each ADL question they answered No to.)	Yes
			<input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

I	ADL/IADL and Other Limitations			Req?
	IADL	1084 1	During the past 7 days, and considering all episodes, was the client able to MANAGE MEDICATIONS without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No, required assistive technology - 1 Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 No, required supervision (SBA -Verbal someone there to watch or prompt) - 2 Score: 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 No, required limited assistance (1 to 3 days physical hands on help) - 3 Score: 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 No, required extensive/total assistance (4 to 7 days a week hands on help)** - 4	Yes
		1901 2	Is the client able to MANAGE MONEY without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		1086 3	Is the client able to SHOP without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		1082 4	Is the client able to PREPARE MEALS without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		1902 5	Is the client able to do HEAVY HOUSEWORK without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		1903 6	Is the client able to do LIGHT HOUSEKEEPING without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		1087 7	Is the client able to USE TRANSPORTATION without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		3820 8	Is the client able to USE THE TELEPHONE without help? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes Score: 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No - 1	Yes
		2119 9	Enter the Total IADL impariements as calculated above. (This is the SAMS IADL Score. It cannot be greater than 8. They receive 1 point for each question they answered No to.)	Yes <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-left: auto;"></div>
		4384 10	Comment on the client's functional ability. <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	No
	Adaptive Equipment	5380 1	Does the client have any of the following devices or equipment? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Artificial limb <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Bath stool	No

I	ADL/IADL and Other Limitations			Req?
			<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Bedside commode <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Cane <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Dentures <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Extended shower head <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Eyeglasses <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Grab bars <input type="checkbox"/> 9 Hand Held Shower <input type="checkbox"/> 10 Hearing aid <input type="checkbox"/> 11 Hospital bed <input type="checkbox"/> 12 Lift chair <input type="checkbox"/> 13 Nebulizer <input type="checkbox"/> 14 Oxygen <input type="checkbox"/> 15 Raised toilet seat <input type="checkbox"/> 16 Ramp <input type="checkbox"/> 17 Walker <input type="checkbox"/> 18 Wheelchair <input type="checkbox"/> 19 Other	
	6772	2	Please specify the other assistive devices the client uses.	No
			<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	
	5785	3	If the client did not receive agency funded services, would the client have enough help to remain independent? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes, without difficulty <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Yes, with difficulty <input type="checkbox"/> 3 No/not sure	No
J	Nutrition Screening			Req?
	Nutrition Screening	2383	1 Has the client made any changes in lifelong eating habits because of health problems? Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1108	2 Does the client eat fewer than 2 meals per day? Score: 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1110	3 Does the client have 3 or more drinks of beer, liquor or wine almost every day? Score: 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		2384	4 Does the client eat fewer than five (5) servings (1/2 cup each) of fruits or vegetables every day?	Yes

J		Nutrition Screening		Req?
		Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	2385	5	Does the client eat fewer than two servings of dairy products (such as milk, yogurt, or cheese) every day?	Yes
		Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1818	6	Does the client have trouble eating well due to problems with chewing/swallowing?	Yes
		Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1112	7	Does the client sometimes not have enough money to buy food?	Yes
		Score: 4	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1113	8	Does the client eat alone most of the time?	Yes
		Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1114	9	Does the client take 3 or more different prescribed or over-the-counter drugs per day?	Yes
		Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1115	10	Without wanting to, has the client lost or gained 10 pounds in the past 6 months?	Yes
		Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1116	11	Is the client not always physically able to shop, cook and/or feed themselves (or to get someone to do it for them)?	Yes
		Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes - 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	2563		Total score of Nutritional Risk Questions.	Yes <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
	2116	12	Is the client at a high nutritional risk level? (Scored 6 or more)	Yes
			<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
K		Current Health Status		Req?
	Current Health Status	1804	1 Describe the client's allergies, if any. _____ _____ _____	No
		1817	2 Describe the client's special diet(s).	No

K		Current Health Status		Req?
		<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>		
L		Home Hazards		Req?
	Home Hazards	4052 1	Is there evidence of pets/animals that are a danger to those who come to the client's home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
M		Home Environment		Req?
	Environmental Checklist	1941 1	Does the client have problems with dangerous stairs or floors in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1942 2	Is it difficult for the client to get to the entrance of his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1943 3	Is it difficult for the client to get to the bathroom or bedroom in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1944 4	Does the client have problems with the major appliances or toilet in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1945 5	Does the client have problems with the heating or cooling in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1946 6	Does the client have problems getting water or hot water in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1947 7	Does the client have difficulties keeping his/her home free from odor or pests? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1948 8	Does the client need a smoke alarm in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1949 9	Does the client have problems with electrical hazards in his/her home? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	Yes

M	Home Environment			Req?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1950 10	Does the client have problems with poor lighting in his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1951 11	Does the client have problems with an unsafe stove in his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1952 12	Does the client have problems with loose slippery rugs in his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1953 13	Does the client have problems with inadequate locks on the doors and/or windows in his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1954 14	Does the client have problems keeping his/her home clean and free of clutter?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1955 15	Does the client have any other environmental problems in his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1956 16	Describe any other environmental problems.		Yes

	1957 17	In the case of an emergency, would the client be able to get out of his/her home safely?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	1958 18	In the case of an emergency, would the client be able to summon help to his/her home?		Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Yes	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2	No	
	4227 19	Comment on the client's home environment in general.		Yes

N	Financial Resources			Req?
	Total Resources	2068 1	What is the total income of the client's household per month?	Yes

N	Financial Resources		Req?
	2529	2 How many people does the household income support?	Yes <input type="text"/>
	2115	3 Is the client's income level below the national poverty level?	Yes
	Score: 2	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Yes (2) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	1555	4 Specify the client's monthly income (or client and spouse if married).	No
	3910	5 What is the client's Monthly Income Range?	Yes
	Score: 3	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Below 150% federal poverty level (3) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Over 150% of poverty level up to 200% of poverty level <input type="checkbox"/> 3 More than 200% of poverty level but less than 300% of FBR <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Over 300% federal benefit rate	
	5802	6 Does the client have excessive expenses, such as medical bills, that prevent them from meeting their needs?	Yes
	Score: 1	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes (1) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
	Other Assistance	1552	1 Does the client want to apply for any of the following services or programs?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Energy assistance (LIHEAP) <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Food stamps (SNAP) <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Home Repair/Weatherization <input type="checkbox"/> 4 QMB/SLMB/LIS/Q1 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 SSI <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Medicare Counseling <input type="checkbox"/> 7 None	Yes
	Health Insurance	2123	2 Is the client a veteran or the spouse/widow of a veteran?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	Yes
		1780	1 Does the client have Medicare A health insurance?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No (Skip next two questions) <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Don't know	Yes
		1002	2 Enter the client's Medicare number.
		_____	No
		1781	3 What is the effective date of the client's Medicare A policy?
		<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> - <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> Month Day Year	No
		1782	4 Does the client have Medicare B health insurance?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No (Skip next question)	No

N	Financial Resources		Req?
		<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Don't know	
	1783 5	What is the effective date of the client's Medicare B policy? <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 30px; height: 30px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; gap: 10px; margin-top: 5px;"> Month Day Year </div>	No
	1785 6	Does the client have Medigap health insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
	5979 7	Does the client have Medicare D health insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
	1788 8	Does the client have LTC health insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
	13430 9	Does the client have Medicaid or TennCare? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
	1791 10	Does the client have other health insurance? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
	2440 11	Please indicate if the individual has QMB/SLMB <hr/> <hr/>	No
O	CHOICES Screening		Req?
	CHOICES	5991 1 Does the client own his/her home or any other property? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	No
		7140 2 What are the client's resources/assets? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Certificate of Deposits <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Checking Account <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Savings certificate <input type="checkbox"/> 4 IRA or Annuity <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Savings Account <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Stocks, Bonds <input type="checkbox"/> 7 Burial contract <input type="checkbox"/> 8 Life insurance policy with cash value <input type="checkbox"/> 9 Property other than home	No
		8131 3 Are the Consumer's assets valued at less than \$2000? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes	No

O CHOICES Screening		Req?
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 No <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Don't Know	
6332	4 Has the client transferred any property or money in the last five years?	No
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
11925	5 While you are more likely to get more services sooner by getting CHOICES, getting CHOICES also means that any property and assets you have are subject to Estate Recovery. Knowing this, would you still like to be screened for CHOICES?	No
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No	
3989	6 What is the date of the consumer's last medical evaluation by a physician?	No
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> – <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; display: inline-block;"></div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center; gap: 10px; margin-top: 5px;"> Month Day Year </div>	
1025	7 What is the name of the client's primary care physician?	No

1028	8 What is the work phone number for the client's primary care physician?	No

P Other Observations		Req?
Other Observations	4044	1 Client is assigned for in-depth assessment for the following programs? Yes
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 CHOICES <input type="checkbox"/> 2 OPTIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Title III E, NFCSP services <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Title III B <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Title III C, Home Delivered Meals <input type="checkbox"/> 6 None
	4688	2 Enter assessment comments. No

Q Prioritization		Req?
Prioritization	2486	1 Is this an APS Referral? No
		<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 2 No
	5353	2 Other Factors No

Q	Prioritization	Req?
	<p>1778 3 Enter the Total Priority Score as calculated above</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 20px; margin-left: 650px;"></div>	No
	<p>15055 4 Total Risk Level</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1 Low Risk (1 to 15)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2 Moderate Risk (16 to 30)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 3 High Risk (31-70)</p>	No

**Adult Protective Services (APS) Referral for
Priority HCBS Form**

APS REFERRAL FOR PRIORITY HCBS SERVICES

(Please Print)

Date of Referral:		
APS INFORMATION		
Name of APS Unit Supervisor Making Referral:		
Unit Supervisor Phone:	Unit Supervisor Cell:	Unit Supervisor Email:
Name of APS Field Worker:		
Field Worker Phone:	Field Worker Cell:	Field Worker Email:
APS Fax Number:		

CONSUMER INFORMATION			
Consumer Last Name:	First:	MI:	Date of Birth: / /
Home Address:		City:	
County:	Zip Code:	Home Phone No.:	
Does the consumer have dementia or any other condition that prevents him/her from participating in the screening? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Who do we contact for the initial screening? (Primary and Secondary)			
Primary Name:	Home Phone No.:	Cell Phone No.:	
Relationship to Consumer (Please check one box): <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Friend <input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver <input type="checkbox"/> Neighbor <input type="checkbox"/> Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			
Secondary Name:	Home Phone No.:	Cell Phone No.:	
Relationship to Consumer (Please check one box): <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Friend <input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver <input type="checkbox"/> Neighbor <input type="checkbox"/> Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			
What HCBS services are needed? (Please check all applicable boxes): <input type="checkbox"/> Homemaker <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Care <input type="checkbox"/> Home-delivered Meals <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____			
What referrals to other services have been made by APS?			
What current services are in the home? (Identify service and end date):			

What is the **risk of harm** to the consumer?

Is there anyone who might try to prevent services to the consumer? If so, specify the person and their relationship.

Provide any symptoms/situations the HCBS Worker needs to be aware of when visiting the consumer.

Current location of consumer:

Phone No:

Signature of APS Field Worker (Sign and Date):

Signature of APS Unit Supervisor Making Referral (Sign and Date):

Reimbursement Rate for Services

Reimbursement Rate

OPTIONS for Community Living (State-Funded) Older Americans Act – Title III (Federally Funded)

Service	Reimbursement Rate
Personal Care – OAA Title III	<i>The lesser of \$20.52 per hr. or usual and customary charges*</i>
Personal Care – State Funds	<i>The lesser of \$20.52 per hr. or usual and customary charges*</i>
Homemaker Services – OAA Title III	<i>The lesser of \$20.52 per hr. or usual and customary charges*</i>
Homemaker Services – State Funds	<i>The lesser of \$20.52 per hr. or usual and customary charges*</i>
In-home Respite – OAA Title III	<i>The lesser of \$16.28 per hr. or usual and customary charges*</i>
Hot Home-Delivered Meals – OAA Title III	<i>The lesser of \$7.00 per meal or usual and customary charges*</i>
Hot Home-Delivered Meals – State Funds	<i>The lesser of \$7.00 per meal or usual and customary charges*</i>
Frozen Home-Delivered Meals – OAA Title III	<i>The lesser of \$6.00 per meal or usual and customary charges*</i>
Frozen Home-Delivered Meals – State Funds	<i>The lesser of \$6.00 per meal or usual and customary charges*</i>

**For providers who have not established usual and customary charges, the charge should be reasonably related to the provider's cost for providing the service. The same requirements are to be applied in the above noted programs. Thus, only the lesser of the maximum rate as specified above or the usual and customary charges for each service should be billed.*

These are the maximum rates which may **not** be exceeded; a lesser amount should be billed and reimbursed, if the provider's usual and customary charge to persons not participating in these programs is lower. Reimbursement rates for OAA and State-Funded services shall not exceed the TennCare reimbursement rates.

Cost Share Forms

COST SHARE WORKSHEET

OPTIONS, OAA

Name _____
 DOB _____

Date: _____
 Id#: _____

1

Household Size	1	2
Declared Monthly Income	\$0.00	\$0.00
200% of FBR (<i>Update yearly</i>)	\$1,542.00	\$ 2,314.00
Income Subject to Cost Share	-\$1,542.00	-\$2,314.00

2 Action Plan Estimation (HDM is subject to donation only)

	Units/Month or Year	Unit Cost	Total
Homemaker	0	\$ -	\$ -
Personal Care	0	\$ -	\$ -

Monthly or Yearly Cost Estimate for Service \$ -

3 **Cost Share Rate** (Income subject to Cost Share divided by the amount given for the appropriate number in the household)

Cost Share Rate:	-50.00%	1 \$ 3,084.00	(Update yearly with FBR x 4)
	-50.00%	2 \$ 4,628.00	(Update yearly with FBR x 4)

4 **Cost Share**

\$0.00
\$0.00

Household 1
 Household 2

Options Counselor _____

Date _____

Note: The amount of cost share cannot exceed 45% of their declared income

Note: If cost share is less then \$25/month, the Individual will not be required to pay

If assessed a cost share, 1 copy for Fiscal and original for file

FINANCIAL RESOURCES-INCOME

Name: _____ **Id:** _____

Income		
INCOME	Individual	Spouse (if applicable)
Social Security		
SSI		
Retirement/Pension		
Interest from Savings, CDs, etc		
VA Benefits		
Wages/Salaries/Earnings		
Other (specify)		
TOTAL	0	0

Savings/Assets		
Type of Asset	Amount	Comments
Checking		
Savings		
CDs		
Other		

Monthly Living Cost		
SOURCE	AMOUNT PER MONTH	COMMENTS
Rent/Mortgage		
Heat		
Electric		
Water/Garbage		
Telephone		
Cable		
Property Tax		
Home Insurance/Rental Insurance		
Medical Insurance		
Medications		
Transportation		
Other (specify)		
Other (specify)		
Other (specify)		
Other (specify)		
Other (specify)		
Other (specify)		
TOTAL	0	

Available Income _____ 0

Fee Waived: Yes No

Options Counselor _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

Federal Poverty Guidelines

HHS 2019 POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES

100% POVERTY LEVEL

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1	\$12,490
2	16,910
3	21,330
4	25,750
5	30,170
6	34,590
7	39,010
8	43,430
<i>For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,420 for each additional person.</i>	

The poverty guidelines in this table were published in the **FEDERAL REGISTER** on February 1, 2019. These figures are to be used by Area Agencies and Service Providers receiving funds under Title III and/or Title VII of the Older Americans Act in determining “greatest economic need: for reporting and targeting purposes.

These poverty guidelines do change each year. Updated Poverty Income Guidelines can be found through the United States Department of Health and Human Services by viewing the following website, <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty>.

**TCAD Options Program/Self-Directed Care
Program, Public Partnerships, LLC (PPL)
Financial Administration Service**

**TCAD Options Program
Self-Directed Care Program
Public Partnerships, LLC Financial Administration Services**

PROGRAM BUSINESS RULES

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Introduction

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability (TCAD) and the nine Area Agencies on Aging and Disability (AAADs) have created an opportunity to serve consumers of any age that are at risk of nursing home placement and their family caregivers. Through the TCAD Options program, consumers will receive home and community based services to enable them to continue to live in their homes and communities.

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability selected Public Partnerships, LLC to be a provider of financial intermediary services in their Consumer-Directed Home and Community-based Services Program. The program, called Options, was developed in partnership with the federal Agency on Aging (AoA) and Tennessee's nine Area Agencies on Aging and Disabilities (AAADD).

Consumer direction is a model of service delivery which affords participants more choice and control in the delivery of home and community-based services. Supported by PPL, a person assessed by an AAADD as eligible can hire their own personal assistant or other help, whose job duties might include housekeeping, laundry, cooking, personal care, and transportation. The goal of the program is to avoid institutionalization and related higher costs. PPL performs functions related to the performance of payroll, accounts payable, and related tasks. AAADs provide support brokerage. TCAD provides administrative and programmatic oversight.

The following is a list of core business rules for the TN Options Self-Direction as of the date of signature. This list may be updated as rules are added, clarified or omitted during the course of the program. The document will be updated and signed by the program stakeholders each time changes occur.

General Program Policies

1. Consumers must be 18 years of age or older
2. Consumer must be a resident of Tennessee.
3. Consumer must meet functional eligibility requirements for the Options program.
4. Consumers will not be able to have PPL pay providers on their behalf until the consumer enrollment paperwork is complete, provider employee paperwork is complete, provider training and background checks are complete and PPL receives an approved authorization.
5. The consumer will be the employer of record unless the family determines that he/she needs a representative to serve in this capacity or the consumer has an existing EIN. It is acceptable for the EOR to be the consumer's conservator. If it is the conservator, the Supports Broker will obtain a copy of the legal paperwork and provide it to PPL.
 - a. If the identified employer has an active Employer Identification Number, another employer will need to be identified, unless the EOR can obtain an IRS transcript that says that the EIN is inactive and has no liabilities.
6. If the consumer has a conservator/Power of Attorney, conservatorship paperwork must be sent to PPL.
7. All documents for consumers and providers will be stored in the document management system for viewing on the Web Portal.
8. Spouses and conservators of participants/employers/representatives may not provide services in this program.
9. Authorized representatives cannot be employees.
10. If a Veteran opts to assign a new EOR in their place they will need to complete a Change of EOR form to PPL. Forms will be made available through the PPL Web Portal. Employer of Record changes must coincide with a fiscal quarter end, unless a significant circumstance is demonstrated.
11. There is no limit to the number of providers a consumer may hire, however, providers may only be on staff for more than one consumer if they have a PSSA license.
12. PPL's standard method of paperwork distribution is for support brokers and EORs to download provider packets from the program website. However, packets can be mailed upon request.
13. Background and registry checks for providers are good for life. However, any EOR can request checks to be re-run, and all EORs should be aware of any fail/approves.

Consumer Enrollment

1. At the point of home assessment, the AAAD support broker will ask the consumer if s/he is interested in self-direction. The support broker will also provide options counseling services, determine a budget level, and create an approved Care Plan. If appropriate, this conversation can happen telephonically.
2. If the person is interested in self-direction, the support broker will schedule a follow up appointment at which the employer of record and worker will all be present to sign paperwork. If appropriate, this can happen at the same time as the home assessment.
3. Prior to going to the home to review paperwork, the AAAD support broker will enter consumer information in the Web Portal. This will include all required fields to become an employer:
 - a. First & last name
 - b. Address line 1 (must be street address)
 - c. Address line 2 (can be PO Box)
 - d. City, state, zip
 - e. Gender
 - f. Date of Birth
 - g. SSN
 - h. Phone
 - i. Email (if any)
 - j. Participant ID as assigned by AAAD (DOB + last for SSN)
 - k. Employer name, address, phone, and social security number
 - l. Authorized representative contact information (if any)
 - m. AAAD association
 - n. Support broker name
4. The support broker will then print out the pre-populated EOR packet. The support broker will have access to the standard general enrollment documents. The support broker should bring the following:
 - a. Pre-populated EOR packet
 - i. IRS SS-4
 - ii. IRS 2678
 - iii. IRS 2848
 - iv. IRS 8821
 - v. TN LB-0441
 - vi. TN LB-0927
 - vii. Representative Form
 - b. AAAD docs – tracked by the AAADs
 - i. Participant Signature Page
 - ii. Consumer Direction Rights & Responsibilities
 - iii. Medical Release form
 - c. Employer Information Packet
 - i.Explanation of all employer documentation
 - ii.Pay schedule
 - iii.Timesheet instructions (for Web Portal & fax submission)
 - iv.Provider Change Termination Form
 - d. Employer Poster Packet (required employment posters)

- e. Employee application & instructions (*see provider enrollment*)
 - f. Vendor packet & instructions (*see vendor enrollment/invoice payment*)
5. The support broker reviews the PPL documents with the consumer/EOR and worker and helps them complete the enrollment paperwork.
 6. Consumer/support broker/employee sends enrollment paperwork back to PPL via mail, fax, or email.
 7. PPL enters the packet into the Web Portal, obtains EIN, and follows up until the packet is fully completed. PPL's standard processing time is 3-5 business days for paperwork processing. (Obtaining EINs is dependent upon current IRS processing time.)
 8. PPL Customer Service is available to help with questions.
 9. All paperwork receipt and status will be documented in the PPL Web Portal in support tickets.

Consumer Disenrollment

1. Upon learning of a consumer becoming disenrolled from Options, the AAAD Supports Broker will mark the consumer inactive on the consumer profile in the PPL Web Portal and enter the date in the Enrollment End Date field in the consumer profile. [This will pend any payments or invoices submitted past the Enrollment End Date.]
2. There are situations where TCAD, the AAAD, or PPL may recommend that a consumer disenroll from the program because of extenuating circumstances (such as fraud, consistent underutilization, home environment unsafe, needs change, etc). The oversight committee makes the final decision as a group.

Employee Enrollment

1. The support broker will bring and review the employee paperwork and requirements with the consumer. The consumer will provide employees with the paperwork and train the employee on providing him/her with care.
2. Paperwork will include:
 - i. Employee Application & Criminal background release
 - ii. Service agreement
 - iii. Rate agreement
 - iv. I-9 & instructions
 - v. W-4
 - vi. Tax Exemption Information
 - vii. Direct Deposit Enrollment
3. The employees will send paperwork to PPL.
4. PPL will enter all paperwork into the PPL Web Portal and establish provider IDs. AAAD support brokers can view good-to-go status in the PPL Web Portal.
5. PPL staff will run the following registry checks on all providers and document the results in the PPL Web Portal. If the employee fails any of the registry checks, the provider cannot work in this program.
 - i. Felony offender list
 - ii. Sexual offender list
 - iii. Health abuse registry
6. If the employee passes the registry checks, PPL will run a criminal background check using Kroll. This will be paid out of the consumer's budget.
 - i. Failing criteria for the background check:
 - Conviction of an offense involving physical, sexual or emotional abuse, neglect, financial exploitation or misuse of funds, misappropriation of property, theft from any person, violence against any person, or manufacture, sale, possession or distribution of any drug.
 - Entering of a plea of nolo contendere or when a jury verdict of guilty is rendered but adjudication of guilt is withheld with respect to a crime reasonably related to the nature of the position sought or held.
 - ii. Criteria for waiving background check results:
 - Exceptions to disqualifications may be granted at the consumer's discretion and only if all of the following conditions are met:
 - Offense is a misdemeanor;
 - Offense occurred more than five (5) years ago;
 - Offense is not related to physical or sexual or emotional abuse of another person;
 - Offense does not involve violence against another person or the manufacture, sale, or distribution of drugs; and
 - There is only one disqualifying offense.
7. PPL staff will mark the background check:
 - i. Pass
 - ii. Fail
 - i. PPL will notify the support broker and the EOR.
 - iii. Fail—approved

- i. PPL will notify the support broker. The support broker will then go in and look at the documents in the Web Portal to ensure that the consumer's safety is not at risk.
8. It is the employer's responsibility to hire, fire, train, and manage his/her employees. Firings require a provider change termination form prior to the next immediate pay period.
9. Employees can begin working upon the first date where all background and registry check is complete and all provider/consumer paperwork is complete, provided an authorization has been established for the consumer. PPL will notify the EOR when all employee paperwork is complete and confirm good-to-go (GTG) status.
10. Directly-hired employees will be able to provide all hourly services. They will only be able to provide transportation if they provide auto insurance information and valid driver's license.
11. PPL will be checking the OIG List of Excluded Individuals/Entities on a monthly basis. If a provider is found to have been added to the list and continued to provide services to an Options consumer, PPL will immediately report the provider to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Office of the Inspector General. PPL will also invoice the provider for any services provided since the last clean run of the OIG List of Excluded Individuals/Entities. Passing the OIG registry check is required for provider good-to-go.

Independent Contractors/Vendors/Agency Provider Enrollment

1. Independent contractors and agency providers must hold a PSSA (or other appropriate) license. License expiration dates will be tracked in the Web Portal as part of each provider's profile. Out of state licenses will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
 - i. Independent Contractor is an individual who holds a PSSA (or other appropriate) license.
 - ii. Agency provider is an organization that holds a PSSA license (or other appropriate) .
 - iii. Vendor is a commercial store that does not hold a PSSA license (or other appropriate) (i.e., a Walmart).
2. Vendor information packet
 - i. W-9 – required for all
 - ii. License – required for independent contractors and agency providers (but not for vendors, as they are stores).
 - iii. *Information sheet about presenting checks*
 - iv. *Invoice submission instructions*
 - v. *Warning against fraud*

Good to Go Requirements

1. Consumer
 - a. All EOR documentation
 - b. Obtained EIN
2. Employee
 - a. All background/registry checks passed (including the OIG registry check)
 - b. All employee/employer paperwork complete
3. Independent Contractor
 - a. License
 - b. W-9
4. Agency
 - a. License
 - b. W-9
5. Vendor
 - a. W-9

Service Authorizations

1. The AAAD support broker will enter the spending plan into the Web Portal. Authorization can be entered at any time once the consumer has been referred.
2. Spending plans are authorized for one year, broken down by month. There is a soft cap of \$5,000, with a maximum of \$7,000 (approved by the AAAD).
 - a. Administrative funds will be deducted from the consumer’s budget in advance of other services.
 - b. Consumers will only be able to view their budget after administrative funds have been deducted.
3. The service matrix is as follows:

Service Name	Code	Unit	Daily/ Hourly	High Pay Rate	Low Pay Rate	Additional Limits/Notes
Attendant Care Services	DHS1	15 min	Hourly	\$15	Min Wage (\$7.25)	Timesheet
Homemaking	DHS2	15 min	Hourly	\$15	Min Wage (\$7.25)	Timesheet
Transportation - Mileage	FCS1	1 mile	Unit/mile	\$47 (state rate as of March 2012)		Invoice
Transportation – Cab	FCS2	1 trip	Unit/trip			
Daily Respite	FCS5	1 day	Daily	\$63.50, \$195, or \$231		Timesheet: One rate for the day, must be 8 hours or more. Day cannot be crossed.
Hourly Respite	FCS6	15 min	Hourly	\$15	Min Wage (\$7.25)	Timesheet: Max 8 hours
Other Consumable Goods	MSG6	1 item	Unit			Invoice
Durable Medical Equipment	MSG1	1 item	Unit			Invoice
Personal/Home Monitoring (PERS)	ATEV4	1 item	Unit			Invoice
Criminal Background Check Fees	ADM4	1 item	Unit			Invoice
Home Delivered Meals	FCS4	1 item	Unit			Invoice

4. Rate rules:

- a. Billable rate for hourly services is the pay rate plus any employer taxes. If the employer has no tax obligation for a given employee, the bill rate will be equal to the pay rate.
5. The support brokers will establish, maintain and revise consumer budgets.
6. If a consumer under-spends, the under-spent amount can be made accessible to the consumer in later months through an authorization amendment by the support broker.
7. Authorizations will be entered in terms of dollars.
8. A support broker can amend an authorization at any time. S/he cannot retro-actively change an authorization to an amount less than what has already been purchased.

Timesheets

1. Standard rules:
 - i. Timesheets must be signed by both the employee and employer (or the representative). If a timesheet is not signed, it needs to be returned and resubmitted before payment.
 - ii. In the case of a legal guardian being the representative, the legal guardian will be responsible for signing the timesheets. In the case of Designated Representative, the Designated Representative may sign the timesheet. It is always acceptable for the consumer to sign the timesheet.
 - iii. PPL will round time to the closest 15 min. increment (7 min, round down – 8 min. round up)
 - iv. Providers may not be compensated for the provision of services in excess of 40 hours per employer per workweek (Monday through Sunday).
 - v. Consumers cannot be served by more than one provider at a time. Providers cannot serve more than one individual at a time. Shifts may not overlap.
 - vi. If a timesheet is received for more hours that are left on a consumer's authorization, PPL will issue payment up to the available units and pend the exceeding amount. The pended amount will be paid out only if an amended authorization is submitted by the support broker. If denied, the employer is responsible for paying the provider the remaining funds.
 - vii. Providers must select the appropriate service code when completing a timesheet.
2. Timesheets can be submitted by fax, mail, or via the Web Portal.
3. Workers will be required to keep daily notes of services provided. The Daily Notes will be kept in the home or in the Web Portal. Workers will record services provided and unusual activity related to the individual.
4. Timesheets and invoices must be submitted within one month of the payroll schedule timesheet deadline.
5. PPL will mail checks directly to the provider or transmitted via Electronic File Transmission/Direct Deposit (EFT/DD). The posted Pay Date will be the day checks are mailed and EFTs are posted to the PPL corporate account. PPL cannot guarantee mailing times or when local bank branches pick up EFT transmissions, and therefore cannot guarantee a payment receipt date, however PPL ensures the payments are paid within the state labor law limits.
6. Timesheets submitted 60 days or more after the last day of the pay period will be denied for payment unless authorized by the AAAD Supports Broker.
7. Expense Account Requests submitted 60 days or later after the last day of a given pay period will not be paid unless authorized by the AAAD Supports Broker.
8. PPL will not make payments that are outside the budget start or end dates or exceed authorization dollars.

Invoice Process

1. All goods or services must be documented in the consumer's spending plan, either under goods or services or in planned savings. The consumer is responsible for covering all purchases s/he makes which are not in his/her budget. The Supports Broker is responsible for authorizing purchases in the web portal.
2. The EOR will submit an invoice (either by paper or via the Web Portal) to the AAAD. The invoice will contain detailed information regarding the item, its exact cost, and its purpose.
 - a. If the vendor for the item is not in PPL's system, the EOR will submit a W-9 form capturing the vendor's tax identification number (TIN). PPL has the TIN for big box stores and chains on file.
 - b. Providers will need to submit a mapquest (or comparable document) along with their transportation form when requesting transportation reimbursement.
3. The AAAD support broker will approve/not approve the item (either by paper or via the Web Portal).
 - a. While the AAAD support broker must approve all requests, there are no specific limits on purchases (other than the general cap).
4. PPL will cut a check made out to the vendor and send it to the consumer.
5. If the good or service is a different price than the check, the EOR/consumer must call PPL to address the issue at the point before purchase.
6. Consumers will not receive cash stipends.

Payment Schedule

1. The pay period will be the 1st through the 15th and the 16th through the end of the month.
2. Payroll schedule is twice monthly. Timesheets can be faxed or mailed to PPL any time after the work for the pay period has been completed up until the timesheet due date.
3. Timesheets will be due at 5:00 pm EST two business days following the end of the pay period. PPL cannot guarantee normally scheduled payment for timesheets submitted after the due date. Any timesheets received after the deadline will be processed in an off cycle check run scheduled for one week after the primary pay cycle.
4. Any timesheets received after the deadline will be processed in an off cycle check run on Friday of the following week.
5. The Payment Schedule will account for pay days that fall on a weekend day or holiday and make payment on the business day after to the weekend day or holiday.
6. PPL will mail checks directly to the providers (or remittance advices, in the case of direct deposit).
7. Tennessee final paycheck laws require that whenever an employee quits or is fired, the final paycheck must be given on the next scheduled payday or within 21 days, whichever is later. As payroll is done twice a month, PPL will automatically comply with this.

Reporting

1. PPL will manage, track and provide reports in the receipt and disbursement of funds on behalf of the participants monthly. AAADs and TCAD will be able to view this information via the PPL Web Portal.
2. PPL will provide TCAD and the EOR with a monthly utilization report.
3. TCAD staff will have privileges to retrieve a multitude of customizable reports through Web Portal on the PPL Universal Reports Server.

Worker's Compensation

1. Workers compensation will not be offered in this program. As a result, no employer may have more than 4 employees associated to him/her at a time.

Administrative and Service Billing

1. PPL will bill TCAD directly for both administrative and services billing.
2. The PMPM for each person is \$95/person/month. The criterion for billing is consumers enrolled during the given month.
3. Upon completion of the payroll processing (i.e. verifying timesheets and testing submitted time again allocations as well as entering and testing payment request forms for self directed goods and services), PPL will transmit (via secure email) to TCAD an invoice for total service payments.

Advance for Service Payments

1. TCAD will calculate and pay PPL a 1 month service advance prior to the first check run.
2. Services begin for Month 1
3. TCAD will calculate and pay PPL an advance for month 2 of services prior to the second month.
4. PPL will invoice TCAD for month 1's actual services on or around the 15th of month 2.
5. TCAD will process actual service invoice for month 1 then send to Finance and Administration Department (F&A) around the 21st of the second month. F&A will process the invoice; then PPL will receive payment thru ACH in 3 to 7 business days.
6. PPL will invoice TCAD for month 2's actual services on or around the 15th of month 3.
7. TCAD will process actual service invoice for month 2 then send to F&A no later than the 21st of month 3. F&A will process invoice; then PPL will receive payment thru ACH in 3 to 7 business days.
8. At the end of the contract, PPL & TCAD will reconcile advance with actual.

Web Portal User Management and Role Based Security Model

1. EORS will have roles configured with access to functionalities that support usage and prohibit access to other EORs' information as well as privileges to modify authorization and payroll information.
2. Other read/write privileges for project staff will be defined during program start up based on defined roles.

Customer Service

1. PPL will maintain a U.S. based toll free customer service line available from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time Monday through Friday excluding state holidays.
2. PPL will also maintain a program administrative fax and email account.
3. All voice mails, faxes, and emails will be responded to within one business day.

Signatures

Public Partnerships, LLC

Date

Tennessee Commission on Aging & Disability

Date

Missed Visit Report

MISSED VISIT REPORT

Individual's Name: _____ **Id#:** _____

If NFCSP, Care Recipient Name: _____ **Id#:** _____

Provider Agency: _____ **County:** _____

Program (check one): **OPTIONS** **NFCSP (Caregiver, Title III-E)** **OAA (Title III)**

Dates of Missed Visit: _____

Type of Visit:

- Personal Care Home Delivered Meals In-Home Respite
 Homemaker Other: _____

Reason for Missed Visit:

- Individual/Care Recipient had unscheduled appointment
 Individual/Care Recipient hospitalized
 Individual/Care Recipient refused services
 Individual/Care Recipient refused alternate staff member services
 Individual/Care Recipient unavailable: Hospital Nursing Home Other:

 Knocked – No Response: Contact Person Notified/Response: _____
 Called – No Answer: Contact Person Notified/Response: _____
 Scheduling error
 Hazardous weather
 Holiday scheduling – Provider canceled Individual/Care Recipient canceled
 Provider unable to provide service because: _____
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Additional Provider Comments: _____

Signature of Agency Representative: _____ **Date:** _____

AAAD Use Only: <input type="checkbox"/> Provider Liable <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Liable <input type="checkbox"/> No Fault
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FAX/SCAN WITHIN 5 BUSINESS DAYS OF MISSED VISIT TO AAAD

Provider Authorization/Notification of Change

PROVIDER AUTHORIZATION/NOTIFICATION OF CHANGE

Service Start Service Change Change of Information Service End

Hold as of: _____ Resume Services as of: _____

I. Individual's Information

Name:	DOB:	Id#:	County:
Street Address:		City/Zip Code:	
Phone #:	Emergency Contact:	EC Phone #:	
If Title III-E (NFCSP), Name of Care Recipient:		Care Recipient Id#:	

II. Service Authorization

Service	Date Service Authorized	Provider Name	Funding Source	Units/Frequency	Unit Cost	End Date
Homemaker						
Personal Care						
Home Delivered Meal						
Chore						
In-Home Respite						
Adult Day Care						
Other:						

Special Frequency Instructions:

Comments/Considerations:

Options Counselor: _____ Phone: _____

Date Faxed: _____ If Change of Services, Date Individual Notified: _____

III. Service Provider

Accepted Declined Service Start Date: _____ Date Ended: _____

Authorized Provider Signature: _____ Date: _____

FAX/SCAN REPLY WITH START DATE WITHIN 5 WORKING DAYS TO AAAD

Provider Checklist

PROVIDER CHECKLIST

Date: _____ County: _____

Individual's Name: _____ Id#: _____

If NFCSP, Care Recipient: _____ Id#: _____

PERSONAL CARE

Type of Bath:

- Tub Bath
- Shower
- Complete bed bath
- Complete sponge bath
- Partial sponge bath

Hair Care:

- Shampoo in shower
- Shampoo in sink
- Shampoo in bed
- Brush hair
- Shave
- Other _____

Dressing:

- Dressing Assistance

Ambulation:

- Assist to ambulate
- With assistive device
- Do not ambulate

Foot Care:

- Foot soak
- Lotion Feet
- Other _____

Mouth Care:

- Brush teeth
- Clean dentures
- Swab mouth

Skin Care:

- Lotion massage
- Other _____

Other Duties:

- Assist with eating
- Assist with toileting

Nail Care:

- Clean nails
- Other _____

HOMEMAKER

- Straighten/Pick up
- Vacuuming
- Mop
- Laundry/Laundromat
- Dusting
- Empty trash
- Prescription pickup

- Shopping
- Grocery shopping

Bedroom:

- Change bed linen
- Straighten bed linen
- Other _____

Bathroom:

- Clean tub/shower
- Clean bath basin
- Clean commode
- Other _____

Kitchen:

- Clean stove
- Clean countertop
- Clean refrigerator
- Clean dishes
- Meal preparation
- Other _____

Special Instructions:

Safety needs identified:

Signature of Individual or Authorized Representative Date

Signature Page

SIGNATURE PAGE

Individual's Name: _____ **Individual's ID:** _____

AGE DECLARATION – I am unable to provide proof of age and I declare that I am 60 years of age or older and that my date of birth, _____ (Month/Day/Year), is correct to the best of my knowledge.

ASSESSMENT – I certify that the information provided to the Options Counselor regarding my functional assessment, social and financial circumstances is accurate and complete. I understand that if it is determined at a later date that the information collected is incorrect, my eligibility for services may be affected.

CHOICE OF PROVIDERS – I have been offered a choice of service providers from a list of available service providers in my county for each service I am authorized to receive. I understand that it is my choice as to whom I want to provide the in-home services.

PRIVACY PRACTICES AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – By signing this form I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Notice of Privacy Practices and a copy of the Individual Rights and Responsibilities. I also acknowledge that I understand the information provided in the Notice of Privacy Practices and the Rights and Responsibilities.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION FOR STATISTICAL REPORTING – I understand that the information released will not be identified with me personally. It will be used in statistical reports. I give my permission to use the information for statistical reporting.

REQUEST FOR INTERAGENCY INFORMATION SHARING – I receive services for more than one program funded through the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability and the Area Agency on Aging and Disability. I request the information from my assessment be shared with agencies that would otherwise have to interview me again to collect the same data.

SERVICES POLICY – I understand that initiating/continuing services is based upon the availability of funding from State/Federal sources. Additionally, change(s) in Individual circumstances may determine eligibility for an increase or decrease in services.

TITLE VI – I understand that I have the right not to be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, or national origin. I understand the procedures for filing a complaint if I feel that I have been discriminated against.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS – I understand how to make a voluntary contribution to help pay for the cost of my services paid for by the AAAD. I understand that my contribution can be made anonymously and/or confidentially if that is my preference. I also understand that my contribution will have no effect on the care I receive.

COST SHARING – I understand there is a possibility that I will have cost share and that I will be receiving a letter informing me about my cost sharing responsibilities if my income exceeds 200% of the Federal Benefit Rate. I understand that prior to my services starting; I will be informed of my costs, if any.

Initials of Individual/Authorized Representative Date _____
Initials of Care Recipient (If NFCSP) Date

Individual's Name: _____ **Individual's ID:** _____

RECEIPT OF ADVANCED DIRECTIVE INFORMATION – I have received written information on my right to create an advanced directive.

PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM (PERS) – I understand that if I have PERS equipment and stop receiving PERS services that the equipment will be removed from the home when the service ends.

NUTRITION COUNSELING – I understand that due to identified nutritional risk factors, I have been referred for Nutrition Counseling. Accept or Deny

CARE PLAN – I was permitted to be involved in the development of my care plan and the services that will be provided will help me to remain independent within my home or will assist in my ability to provide care to my family. I understand that if changes are needed to be made in the care plan, I can contact my Options Counselor.

AUTHORIZATION FOR REFERRAL FOR SERVICES – I give permission for the Area Agency on Aging and Disability to contact, on my behalf, the agencies or persons listed below and/or on my care plan and to release only such information to them as may be needed to determine the level and types of services that I may need. I also grant permission to the receiving agencies to report back regarding services that I may or may not receive and/or any additional information that may significantly reflect on my need for services. This authorization may be revoked at any time by my written statement and is automatically revoked at my transfer from the agency or at notification of death to include a period of six (6) months.

AGENCY

PURPOSE

- | | |
|----------|-------|
| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ |

CLIENT AGREEMENT – By my signature, I affirm that I have read, or have had explained to me, the above statements. The telephone number I need for questions or complaints has been left with me, and I do give the authorization for release of information as listed above. Unless otherwise stated, this expires in one year.

Signature of Individual or Authorized Representative

Date

Signature of Care Recipient (When enrolled in NFCSP)

Date

Signature of Options Counselor

Date