

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Aging and Adult Services

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TO: Area Agencies on Aging Division of Aging and Adult Services

FROM: Suzanne P. Merrill, Acting Division Director Sugar P. Merrill

- DATE: September 2, 2014
- RE: Reinstatement of Volunteer Program Development under the Home and Community Block Grant

The Appropriations Act of 2014 (Session Law 2014-100) ratified by the NC General Assembly and signed by Governor McCrory on August 7, 2014 directs the Division of Aging and Adult Services to reinstate Volunteer Program Development as a service category under the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG). No additional funding accompanies the reinstatement. Prior to the elimination of Volunteer Program Development on July 1, 2011, eleven counties were funded for this service at a total of \$200,000.

It may be too late to use your HCCBG allocation for Volunteer Program Development this year, but effective immediately you are allowed to move money from another HCCBG service to fund Volunteer Program Development. Any changes would have to be initiated by the county planning/advisory committee that develops the annual county funding plans for HCCBG services. The service standards remain in place governing the service.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Steve Freedman at <u>steve.freedman@dhhs.nc.gov</u> or 919-855-3411

Thank you.

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