

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

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DAAS ADMINISTRATIVE LETTER NO. 15-01

To: Area Agencies on Aging Directors

Subject: SFY 13-14 County Aging Services Data and SFY 15-16 County Budget Instructions

Date: January 29, 2015

It is once again time for the Aging County Data Package for use by local committees in recommending a funding plan for the Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG). The explanation of the State and County Expenditure Report for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2013-2014, as well as the expenditure reports by county, agency, and service can be accessed at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/expenddata.htm. The Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will provide these reports to the lead planning agency for the Home and Community Care Block Grant in the county by March 1, 2015. The AAA's will also share the information with Chairs of the County Boards of Commissioners, County Managers and Local Aging Services Providers. The AAA can forward this Administrative Letter and/or develop its own correspondence.

The SFY 2015-16 Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) Budget Instructions, along with HCCBG formats will be available during the week of February 18th through the Division's website at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/aging/cobudget/cobudgdn.htm. HCCBG instructions are unchanged from last year. Effective cost development for services should continue to be emphasized. Potential service providers must give lead agencies service cost-computation worksheets and labor distribution schedules along with their service summaries, as specified on page 16 of the HCCBG Budget Instructions.

SFY 15-16 Service Allocations

The Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) is presently reviewing current demographics related to the HCCBG Intrastate Funding Formula with Area Agencies on Aging and will allocate the funding to counties upon receipt of full FY 2014 Title III funding through the U.S. Administration for Community Living. Until the new HCCBG allocations are received, SFY 2014-15 funding should be a satisfactory planning estimate for next year.

Sincerely,

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