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Priority Expenditures

The Older Americans Act mandates that an adequate proportion of Title III-B funds allotted to each planning and service area will be expended for priority service expenditures. Priority service expenditures are

1. Services associated with access to services, outreach, information and assistance;
2. In-home services, including supportive services for families of older individuals who are victims of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders with neurological and organic brain dysfunction; and
3. Legal assistance.

[17 Iowa Administrative Code 5.5](#) further mandates that a minimum percentage of Title III-B funds shall be expended on these established priority services. The minimum percentage shall be established by the Commission on Aging and posted on the Department's website.

On June 14, 2013, the Iowa Commission on Aging approved minimum priority service expenditure percentages as follows:

1. Access services – 10%
2. In-home services – 5%
3. Legal assistance – 3%

These percentages will remain in effect until the Iowa Commission on Aging takes further action.