



VDA WEEKLY E-MAILING

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ACL News & Information

Here is a link to news & information from the Administration for Community Living (ACL):

<http://www.acl.gov/NewsRoom/NewsInfo/Index.aspx>

NASUAD Weekly Update

Here is a link to the weekly update from NASUAD:

<http://www.nasud.org/newsroom/nasud-news>

Note: The web links in this document may change over time. DARS-VDA does not attempt to refresh the links once the week has passed. However, this document is maintained on the web for a period of time as a reference. Some links may require registration.

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UPDATES

November 19, 2014

**Webinar: Toward an AIDS-free
Generation: Supporting Healthcare
Outreach and Enrollment for People
Living with HIV**

Monday, November 24, 2014, from 2:00
p.m. to 2:45 p.m. ET

Join AIDS.gov for this webinar on health coverage opportunities through the Health Insurance Marketplace for people at risk for or living with HIV or viral hepatitis. The webinar will feature presenters from CDC, CMS, HRSA, and the HHS Secretary's Office. They will highlight benefits of the healthcare law for people at risk for or living with HIV or viral hepatitis, and highlight resources available to assist stakeholders in Marketplace outreach and enrollment efforts, particularly among communities of color and other populations disproportionately impacted by HIV and viral hepatitis. [Click here](#) to register.

Notes:

- Marketplace open enrollment period: November 15, 2014 - February 15, 2015.
- Webinar space is limited; registrants will be joined on a first-come, first-served basis.



November 20, 2014

**Help Improve Transportation
Infrastructure**

Deadline: November 26, 2014

[MAP-21](#), the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act, was enacted into law in 2012 to transform the policy and programmatic framework for investments to guide the growth and development of the country's transportation infrastructure. MAP-21 creates a streamlined, performance-based, and multimodal program to address the many challenges facing the U.S. transportation system, including improving safety, maintaining infrastructure condition, reducing traffic congestion, improving efficiency of the system and freight movement, protecting the environment, and reducing delays in project delivery.

The [Private Sector Participation provisions of MAP-21](#) require the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to:

- Identify impediments to greater use of public-private partnerships (P3s) and private investment in public transportation capital projects and issue regulations to carry out



procedures that address any impediment.

- Develop guidance to promote greater transparency and public access to P3 agreements involving recipients of MAP-21 financial assistance.
- Provide technical assistance to recipients of MAP-21 financial assistance.
- To meet the above requirements, FTA is conducting an [Online Dialogue](#) to engage grantees and other stakeholders to inform them of the rulemaking and to obtain feedback on proposed guidance on assessments and model contracts.

Participants can discuss:

- How stakeholders conduct assessments to determine whether use of a public-P3 represents a better public and financial benefit.
- What should be included in a FTA guide to developing standard P3 transaction model contracts.
- Existing FTA laws, regulations, and practices that inhibit greater use of P3s and private investment in public transportation projects, and a proposed process to modify specific existing FTA laws, regulations, and practices that would address such impediments.

The dialogue website also provides background information on the Private Sector Participation provisions of MAP-21 requirements.



UPDATES

November 21, 2014

NQF Call for Nominations: Multi-Stakeholder Committee to Measure HCBS Services

Deadline: December 16, 2014

The National Quality Forum (NQF) is seeking [nominations](#) for a multi-stakeholder Committee for its newly launched [HCBS Gaps Project](#). The committee will provide NQF with input on performance measurement gaps in home and community-based services (HCBS).

The committee will steer the project activities, including defining HCBS, developing an HCBS conceptual measurement framework, reviewing a staff-performed environmental scan of measures and measure concepts, and ultimately recommending priorities for HCBS measure development and use. [Click here](#) for the nomination form.



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Medicare Open Enrollment Gives People with Disabilities More Choice

By Vicki Gottlich, Director of the Center for Policy and Evaluation, Administration for Community Living

Medicare Open Enrollment season is a time when Medicare beneficiaries can review their policies to make sure their medical care – fee-for-service or managed care – and their pharmacy plans are meeting their needs. While much media attention is given to urging adults over the age of 65 to review their Medicare options, many people overlook the fact that Medicare also covers millions of younger people with disabilities. All Medicare beneficiaries – regardless of age – should use Medicare Open Enrollment season to think about whether last year’s health plan choices still work for them. [Click here](#) to read more.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: Best Practice

Ellen M. Nau, MA, Program Coordinator

The New River Valley Agency on Aging, in collaboration with Radford University School of Social Work, Pulaski Community Partners Coalition, Hensel Eckman YMCA, Pulaski County Public Schools and the VA Tech Family Studies Program have been working since 2005 to study and address the unique needs of Pulaski County grandparents serving as the primary caregiver



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for their grandchildren. This Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group (GRGSG) Taskforce started sponsoring monthly meetings in January 2006. Since that time group has grown steadily, from attendance by 2 -3 families to an average of 10 families who now regularly attend monthly meetings. To date, 60 families have participated in the support group.

The goal of the GRGSG is to assist, strengthen, and support families in their endeavor to provide a stable environment for their grandchildren. Guest speakers from community agencies are invited to the group meetings to describe services and support available to grandparents. Speakers have included personnel from Family Court Services, Child Protection Services, Legal Aid, and Aging Services as well as Extension Agency personnel who offer nutrition programming. Time is also scheduled for open discussion and dinner.

Participation in Grandparents Raising Grandchildren is free. Dinner, childcare and activities for grandchildren are also provided. The group meets at the YMCA the second Thursday of each month. For more information, contact Cassie Mills at the New River Valley Agency on Aging at 540-980-7720 or cmills@nrvaooa.org.

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Section 811 Project Rental Assistance - Group Discussion: HUD
Releases Webinar on Section 811 and Section 202 Proposed Rule
Tim Catherman on behalf of Bruce DeSimone, VHDA
Greetings from VHDA!

Below are excerpts from a National Council of State Housing Agencies' email announcing that HUD has released a pre-recorded webinar and links to other material on their Sections 811 and 202 Proposed Rule published in the Federal Register. Note that comments to HUD on these



proposed regulations are due by 8 December 2014.

On the Section 811 side, most of what is proposed coincides with the last two Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) NOFAs. Although the proposed regulations largely codify what has been included in the NOFAs, it is important for you to assess whether this model is viable for your communities and how best to implement it.

For Section 202, HUD is looking to maintain and recapitalize the aging stock of the older, 'direct loan' projects without negatively affecting existing older residents. Rental assistance without a HUD Capital Advance is similar to the new 811 PRA model. Perhaps more importantly, HUD has recognized that residents of the Section 202 projects have been aging in place, may need help with ADLs and IADLs, and is looking to Area Agencies on Aging and Aging and Disability Resource Centers to assist.

I strongly encourage you to review the HUD materials and comment to HUD before the December 8th deadline; and would appreciate you sharing your thoughts with me.

Best regards as always -
Bruce

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MIPPA Closeout Report – Program Year: 09/30/2013 – 09/29/2014
Marica Monroe, CPA, VCA, Financial Statement Reporting and Accounting Manager

Fiscal Directors:

The close out reports for the program period beginning September 30, 2013 and ending on September 29, 2014 for all MIPPA programs ending 09/29/2014 must be submitted to the



Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services no later than December 12, 2014. Please complete the report using the pages, tabs, and fields attached then e-mail the completed report to closeoutreports@dars.virginia.gov. Each MIPPA source of funding has a separate tab. If you did not receive funds from a particular source please disregard that tab. Please name the file, MIPPA Closeout Report PSA XX, replacing the XX with your agency's PSA number.

Please input the budget amounts and program expenditures by category for the entire budget period (09/30/2013 – 09/29/2014) for each tab where applicable. Lastly, please ensure that the budget and expenditures reported on the closeouts include all funds awarded for that project even if they were awarded in separate pots. If you have any questions, please feel free to call 804-662-9320 or e-mail me at marica.monroe@dars.virginia.gov.

Thank you.

CC: Kathy Miller, Director of Programs
Liz Havenner, VICAP State Director

VICAP Final Closeout Report (to Closeout CMS and ACL)

Marica Monroe, CPA, VCA, Financial Statement Reporting and Accounting Manager

A final VICAP closeout report for the grant period April 1, 2013 to December 31, 2014 is due no later than December 12, 2014. As a friendly reminder, this is the final CMS report under this grant award as the program is currently part of ACL. Please ensure the carryover from 03/31/2013 continues to be reported and that all funds awarded during, or for the grant period being reported, are included as part of the approved budget.

The YTD expenses should include those related to 03/31/2013 carryover funds and those that are part of the approved budget so that if no funds are unspent, the budget balance is zero. Any remaining budget balance should be remitted to DARS. An electronic version of the VICAP closeout report will be available on the Division for the Aging website, www.vda.virginia.gov. Please e-mail the completed report to closeoutreports@dars.virginia.gov and name the file, VICAP Closeout Report PSAxx (Insert your PSA number in the integers, xx).

Please note**activity included in this report should reflect all activity for VICAP occurring during this reporting period even if funds were awarded under or received under a previous VICAP year. MIPPA funds should not be included in this report.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (804) 662-9320 or by e-mail at marica.monroe@dars.virginia.gov.

CC: Kathy Miller, Director of Programs



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Liz Havenner, VICAP State Director

VA Elder Rights Coalition: Panel Discussion on Voting Rights

Cecily Slasor on behalf of Kathy Pryor, Virginia Elder Rights Coalition

Please plan to attend a panel discussion on Voting Rights, sponsored by the Virginia Elder Rights Coalition, on Friday, December 5th from 10:00 to noon at Park View Apartments in Charlottesville. The discussion will include such topics as accommodations for persons with disabilities, implications of the new voter ID law, and redistricting with panelists from the Virginia Department of Elections, AARP Virginia, the disAbility Law Center, and OneVirginia2021. See attached flyer. Please plan to attend, and spread the word about the panel. The meeting will be at Park View Apartments, 210 S. Pantops Drive, Charlottesville, VA.

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BASIC VICAP and LONG TERM CARE AWARENESS 2014 FINAL CLOSEOUT

Section A

Name and Address of Agency Operating Program

Contract Period: 04/01/2013-12/31/2014
 Report Period: 04/01/2013-12/31/2014

Section B	Cash on Hand or Carryover reported on your 03/31/13 VICAP Closeout report	Approved Budget		Y-T-D Expenditures		Budget Balance	
		Includes Performance Award	L. T. Care Awareness	Includes Performance Award	L. T. Care Awareness	VICAP	L. T. Care Awareness
Approve Budget Categories (List)	VICAP	VICAP	L. T. Care Awareness	VICAP	L. T. Care Awareness	VICAP	L. T. Care Awareness
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Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Section C

	VICAP	L.T Care
(1) Cash-On-Hand or Carryover reported on your 03/31/2013 VICAP Closeout report	0	0
(2) Funds Received Y-T-D	0	0
(3) Funds Requested but not yet rec'd	0	0
(4) Line 1 plus Line 2 plus Line 3	0	0
(5) Expenditures Y-T-D	0	0
(6) Cash-On-Hand (Line 4 minus Line 5)	0	0

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MIPPA ACL PRIORITY 3

Agency:

Month: Final

Program Year: 09/30/2013 - 09/29/2014

Approved Budget Categories (List)	Approved Budget		Y-T-D Expenditures		Budget Balance	
	Grant	Match	Grant	Match	Grant	Match
Personnel					0	0
Travel					0	0
Training & Education					0	0
Supplies & Equipment					0	0
Other					0	0
					0	0
					0	0
					0	0
					0	0
					0	0
					0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

% Spent Grant Funds _____ 0%

% Spent Match Funds _____ 0%

Revised: 11/19/2014

Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) Grant Monthly Report

Agency: _____

Month: Closeout Year: 10/01/2009 - 09/29/2014

Approved Budget Categories (List)	Approved Budget		Y-T-D Expenditures		Budget Balance	
	Grant	Match	Grant	Match	Grant	Match
Personnel						
Fringe Benefits						
Travel						
Equipment						
Supplies						
Other:						
Total						

% Spent Grant Funds _____ 0%

% Spent Match Funds _____ 0%

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5TH
EVERY VOTE COUNTS
(OR IT SHOULD)!

Panel on Voting Rights

The 2014 mid-term elections are over but the concerns around voting rights continue. Come join panelists from the Department of Elections, AARP Virginia, OneVirginia 2021, and the disAbility Law Center of Virginia for a discussion of voting rights, including accommodations for people with disabilities, implications of the new voter ID law, and redistricting.



Virginia Elder Rights Coalition

Virginia Elder
Rights Coalition
presents

Park View Apts.,
210 S. Pantops Dr.
Charlottesville

10 a.m. to 12 noon
Friday, Dec. 5th

