

231.56A Elder abuse initiative, emergency shelter, and support services projects.

1. Through the state's service contract process adopted pursuant to section 8.47, the department shall identify area agencies on aging that have demonstrated the ability to provide a collaborative response to the immediate needs of elders in the area agency on aging service area for the purpose of implementing elder abuse initiative, emergency shelter, and support services projects. The projects shall be implemented only in the counties within an area agency on aging service area that have a multidisciplinary team established pursuant to section 235B.1.
2. The target population of the projects shall be any elder residing in the service area of an area agency on aging who meets both of the following conditions:
 - a. Is the subject of a report of suspected dependent adult abuse pursuant to chapter 235B.
 - b. Is not receiving assistance under a county management plan approved pursuant to section 331.439.
3. The area agencies on aging implementing the projects shall identify allowable emergency shelter and support services, state funding, outcomes, reporting requirements, and approved community resources from which services may be obtained under the projects. The area agency on aging shall identify at least one provider of case management services for the project area.
4. The area agencies on aging shall implement the projects and shall coordinate the provider network through the use of referrals or other engagement of community resources to provide services to elders.
5. The department shall award funds to the area agencies on aging in accordance with the state's service contract process. Receipt and expenditures of moneys under the projects are subject to examination, including audit, by the department.
6. This section shall not be construed and is not intended as, and shall not imply, a grant of entitlement for services to individuals who are not otherwise eligible for the services or for utilization of services that do not currently exist or are not otherwise available.

2003 Acts, ch 98, §1; 2003 Acts, ch 179, §67