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17—6.11(231) Contracts.

6.11(1) A contract or agreement between an AAA and a provider of a specific service in the PSA shall not restrict the AAA from contracting with other provider(s) of similar services.

- **6.11(2)** Contract file. AAA shall maintain a file of all current contracts with service-providing agencies or organizations. These files shall be made available for monitoring and assessment by the department.
- **6.11(3)** Contracts with for-profit organizations. An AAA must request prior approval from the department of any proposed service contracts with for-profit organizations under an area plan.
- a. A separate approval request, using the request form provided by the department, shall be filed for each contract between the AAA and a provider for a service that is proposed to be delivered by a for-profit organization.
- (1) The request for approval shall be submitted to the department at least 30 days prior to the signing of the contract.
- (2) All applicants to provide services for which the contract is proposed shall be listed on the request form.
- b. The department may approve the contracts only if the AAA demonstrates that the for-profit organization can provide services that are in compliance with the Older Americans Act and consistent with the goals of the AAA as stated in the area plan.

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