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§ 2551.71 What requirements govern the assignment of Senior Companions?

(a) Senior Companion assignments shall provide for Senior Companions to give direct services to one or more eligible adults that:
   (1) Result in person-to-person supportive relationships with each client served.
   (2) Support the achievement and maintenance of the highest level of independent living for their clients.
   (3) Are meaningful to the Senior Companion.
   (4) Are supported by appropriate orientation, training, and supervision.
   (b) Senior Companions may serve as volunteer leaders, and in this capacity may provide indirect services.

§ 2551.62 What are the responsibilities of a volunteer station?

A volunteer station shall undertake the following responsibilities in support of Senior Companion volunteers:
   (a) Develop volunteer assignments that meet the requirements specified in §§2551.71 through 2551.72, and regularly assess those assignments for continued appropriateness.
   (b) Select eligible clients for assigned volunteers.
   (c) Develop a written volunteer assignment plan for each client that identifies the role and activities of the Senior Companion and expected outcomes for the client served.
   (d) Obtain a Letter of Agreement for Senior Companions assigned in-home. This letter must comply with all Federal, State and local regulations.
   (e) Provide Senior Companions serving the station with:
      (1) Orientation to the station and any in-service training necessary to enhance performance of assignments;
      (2) Resources required for performance of assignments including reasonable accommodation; and
      (3) Appropriate recognition.
   (f) Designate a staff member to oversee fulfillment of station responsibilities and supervision of Senior Companions while on assignment.
   (g) Keep records and prepare reports required by the sponsor.
   (h) Provide for the safety of Senior Companions assigned to it.
   (i) Comply with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including reasonable accommodation for Senior Companions with disabilities.
   (j) Undertake such other responsibilities as may be necessary to the successful performance of Senior Companions in their assignments or as agreed to in the Memorandum of Understanding.

Subpart F—Responsibilities of a Volunteer Station

§ 2551.61 May a sponsor serve as a volunteer station?

Yes, a sponsor may serve as a volunteer station, provided this is part of the application workplan approved by the Corporation.

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