Companions with special skills or demonstrated leadership ability may assist newer Senior Companion volunteers in performing their assignments and in coordinating activities of such volunteers.

(c) Senior Companions shall not provide services such as those performed by medical personnel, services to large numbers of clients, custodial services, administrative support services, or other services that would detract from their assignment.

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§ 2551.72 Is a written volunteer assignment plan required for each volunteer?

(a) All Senior Companions performing direct services to individual clients in home settings and individual clients in community-based settings, shall receive a written volunteer assignment plan developed by the volunteer station that:

1. Is approved by the sponsor and accepted by the Senior Companion;
2. Identifies the client(s) to be served;
3. Identifies the role and activities of the Senior Companion and expected outcomes for the client(s);
4. Addresses the period of time each client is expected to receive such services; and
5. Is used to review the status of the Senior Companion’s services in working with the assigned client(s), as well as the impact of the assignment on the client(s).

(b) If there is an existing plan that incorporates paragraphs (a)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, that plan shall meet the requirement.

(c) All Senior Companions serving as volunteer leaders shall receive a written volunteer assignment plan developed by the volunteer station that:

1. Is approved by the sponsor and accepted by the Senior Companion;
2. Identifies the role and activities of the Senior Companion and expected outcomes;
3. Addresses the period of time of service; and
4. Is used to review the status of the Senior Companion’s services identified in the assignment plan, as well as the impact of those services.

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Subpart H—Clients Served

§ 2551.81 What type of clients are eligible to be served?

Senior Companions serve only adults, primarily older adults, who have one or more physical, emotional, or mental health limitations and are in need of assistance to achieve and maintain their highest level of independent living.

Subpart I—Application and Fiscal Requirements

§ 2551.91 What is the process for application and award of a grant?

(a) How and when may an eligible organization apply for a grant? (1) An eligible organization may file an application for a grant at any time.

2. Before submitting an application an applicant shall determine the availability of funds from the Corporation.

3. The Corporation may also solicit grant applicants. Applicants solicited under this provision are not assured of selection or approval and may have to compete with other solicited or unsolicited applications.

(b) What must an eligible organization include in a grant application? (1) An applicant shall complete standard forms prescribed by the Corporation.


(c) Who reviews the merits of an application and how is a grant awarded? (1) The Corporation reviews and determines the merit of an application by its responsiveness to published guidelines and to the overall purpose and objectives of the program. When funds are available, the Corporation awards a grant in writing to each applicant whose grant proposal provides the best potential for serving the purpose of the program. The award will be documented by Notice of Grant Award (NGA).