TO BE RESCINDED

173-2-04 **De-designation of AAAs.**

- (A) ODA may de-designate an AAA whenever required to do so under state or federal law, whenever de-designation has been determined by ODA to be an appropriate sanction under rule 173-2-03 of the Administrative Code, or whenever ODA reorganizes the state's PSAs and the geographical region a AAA has been designated to serve ceases to exist.
- (B) De-designation is a serious action that ODA shall pursue only when that action is in the public interest and for the protection of the state of Ohio. Because ODA recognizes the valuable asset it has in its AAAs, it shall not pursue the de-designation of an AAA without first giving consideration to the negative impact that de-designation may have upon the aging network and the lives of those seniors served by the AAA. ODA shall take reasonable steps to minimize any disruption to the lives of service recipients whenever it de-designates an AAA.
- (C) In the event that ODA finds it necessary to de-designate an AAA, it shall take any steps necessary to ensure the continuation of services within the PSA served by the AAA until such time as a new AAA has been designated by ODA. The steps taken by ODA to ensure the continuation of services may include, but are not limited to, directly administering the grants and contracts of the AAA or contracting with another AAA to administer the grants and contracts on behalf of ODA.
- (D) ODA shall provide written notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with rule 173-2-05 of the Administrative Code to any AAA proposed for de-designation.

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