

173-2-05**Designating a new AAA.**

(A) ODA shall designate an entity as an AAA only if a change in the structure of Ohio's existing PSAs creates a new PSA for which no AAA has been designated, or if ODA de-designates a currently-designated AAA under rule 173-2-08 of the Administrative Code.

(B) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (C) of this rule, ODA may designate any of the following types of entities as an AAA if the entity meets the requirements outlined under rule 173-2-06 of the Administrative Code:

(1) An established office of aging which is operating within the PSA for which designation as an AAA is sought;

(2) An office or agency of a unit of general-purpose local government, that is designated to function only for the purpose of serving as an AAA by the chief elected official of the general-purpose local government;

(3) An office or agency designated by the appropriate chief elected officials of any combination of units of general-purpose local government to act only on behalf of the combination of units of general-purpose local government for purpose of serving as an AAA; or,

(4) A public or nonprofit private agency located within the PSA to be served by the AAA, or any separate organizational unit within such agency that will engage only in the planning or provision of services within the PSA.

(C) When designating a new AAA, ODA shall give a right of first refusal to a unit of general-purpose local government that meets the requirements under paragraphs (B) of this rule and under rule 173-2-06 of the Administrative Code, if its geographical boundaries are reasonably contiguous with the those of the PSA. If no unit of general-purpose local government expresses an interest in being designated an AAA, or is qualified to be designated an AAA, ODA shall give preference to an established office on aging that can meet the requirements under rule 173-2-06 of the Administrative Code.

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