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Older Americans Act nutrition program: grocery ordering and delivery.

- (A) "Grocery ordering and delivery" means a service for a consumer who needs assistance shopping for groceries that allows consumers to order groceries, then delivers the ordered groceries to the consumer's home or vehicle (e.g., at a drive-thru pick-up window).
- (B) In every AAA-provider agreement for grocery ordering and delivery paid, in whole or in part, with Older Americans Act funds, the AAA shall include the following requirements:
- (1) General requirements: In the AAA-provider agreement, the AAA shall include the requirements in rule 173-3-06 of the Administrative Code for every AAA-provider agreement paid, in whole or in part, with Older Americans Act funds.
 - (2) Procedures: The provider to develop and implement procedures for the safe delivery of groceries.
 - (3) Payment:
 - (a) No Older Americans Act funds, other than funds from Title III-B or III-E of the Older Americans Act, shall pay for grocery ordering and delivery.
 - (b) No Older Americans Act funds, other than funds from Title III-B or III-E of the Older Americans Act, shall pay for consumable supplies or material aid to meet basic needs, such as groceries. Providers may accept other funds ~~for groceries~~ (e.g., private pay, SNAP) for consumable supplies or material aid to meet basic needs.
 - (4) Service verification:
 - (a) For each episode of service, the provider to retain a record of the consumer's name; service date; provider's signature; and ~~consumer's signature~~ unique identifier of the consumer.
 - (b) In the AAA-provider agreement, the AAA shall not prohibit the provider from using a technology-based system to collect and retain the items in paragraph (B)(4)(a) of this rule.
 - (c) During a state of emergency declared by the governor, the provider may verify each episode of service provided without collecting the unique identifier of the consumer.

(C) Units: One unit of grocery ordering and delivery equals one episode of grocery ordering and delivery.

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