

APPENDIX VIII

PSA # 2

2009-2012 Three-Year Area Planning Cycle

This section must be completed and submitted with the Three-Year Area Plan. Any changes to this Section must be documented on this form and remitted with Area Plan Updates.

1. Specific to Legal Services, what is your AAA's Mission Statement or Purpose Statement? Statement must include Title III B requirements. Planning and Service Area 2 Area Agency on Aging will support the legal services needed in the five-county area for the benefit of older adults and adults with functional impairments which promote the ability to remain at home with maximum dignity, choice, and independence.

2. Based on your local needs assessment, what percentage of Title III B funding is allocated to Legal Services? 10%

3. Specific to Legal Services, what is the targeted senior population and mechanism for reaching targeted groups in your PSA? Discussion: The targeted senior populations are: 75+ years old, frail, low income, minority, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender. The process for outreach involves workers who know the people in the local communities, they provide presentations, and they literally bring the targeted populations into our service system. They offer legal services either at the senior centers or within the participants' home environment.

4. How many legal assistance providers are in your PSA? Complete table below.

Fiscal Year	# Legal Services Providers
2009-2010	1
2010-2011	
2011-2012	

5. What methods of outreach are providers using? Discuss: All 5 Focal Points (Senior Centers) are contacted throughout the year, minimally on an annual basis. Presentations and brochures including types of services offered are made by either an attorney or paralegal staff.

6. What geographic regions are covered by each provider? Complete table below.

Fiscal Year	Name of Provider	Geographic Region covered
2009-2010	a. Legal Services of Northern California	a. Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou & Trinity Counties
	b.	b.
	c.	c.

2010-2011	a. b. c.	a. b. c.
2011-2012	a. b. c.	a. b. c.

7. Discuss how older adults access Legal Services in your PSA: Access to legal services occur through (& are not limited to) the local county Information & Assistance service provider, the PSA 2 website, the service provider website, distributed brochures throughout counties, referrals from other legal services, etc.

8. Discuss the major legal issues in your PSA. Include new trends of legal problems in your area: The new trend of legal problems is the ever-increasing cases of Identity Fraud. The older adult population and persons with impairments are deemed by perpetrators to be the most vulnerable victims. This, combined with the rapidly growing senior populations, is and will continue to be the primary need of legal services in this isolated area of the state. Secondly, conservatorship is a very time consuming process and considered a major legal issue within the PSA. Lastly, the PSA continues to see the need for assisting “Grandparents Raising Grandchildren” and related legal necessities as a major issue.

9. What are the barriers to accessing legal assistance in your PSA? Include proposed strategies for overcoming such barriers. Discuss: Travel, weather, & limited funding continue to be the limiting barriers to services. The service provider continually seeks new funding to increase outreach in far outlying areas.

10. What other organizations or groups does your legal service provider coordinate services with? Discuss: In addition to those indicated in Item #7 above, services are also coordinated with all areas of media coverage, local professional organizations, the State Bar, MDT, APS, law enforcement agencies, faith-based organizations, and fairs and conferences.