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## Planning Process

In July of 2010 several statewide and regional organizations held a conference call to discuss a strategic process for soliciting stakeholder input for the 2011 reauthorization of the Older Americans Act. The initial conveners were representatives from: Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern New Jersey (JFCS), Rutgers School of Social Work's Programs on Aging, United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ, New Jersey Area Agencies on Aging Association (NJ4A), New Jersey Association of Senior Center Directors, New Jersey Foundation for Aging, NJ State Association of Jewish Federations, and the Grotta Fund for Senior Care. Representatives of the Health Care Foundation of NJ, Partners for Health, and AARP-NJ provided some input in the planning phase.

Bimonthly conference calls were held and one face-to-face meeting hosted by Rutgers School of Social Work.

For reference documents, please consult the Appendices on pages 10 to 22.

- Appendix A. Planning Members
- Appendix B. Attendees (registered)
- Appendix C. OAA Overview Slides
- Appendix D. Meeting invitation, agenda, scoring sheet

## Introduction

The Older Americans Act (OAA) is a unique piece of U.S. federal policy because it focuses almost exclusively on programs and services for older adults and their caregivers. More than \$50 million in federal support from the Older Americans Act comes into New Jersey each year for older adult and caregiver services, with a predominant focus on home- and community- based services (HCBS). OAA funding is leveraged with additional funds from state, county, and local governments as well as with contributions from philanthropic and faith-based communities. The Older Americans Act provides a rich menu of services including Home Delivered Meals, and Information & Assistance.

In 2011 Congress will consider reauthorization and amendments to the OAA effective in FY 2012. The NJ Foundation for Aging (NJFA) convened partners in multiple agencies to garner local stakeholder input, which is seen as essential to guide and safeguard this important federal legislation. The partners sought to include a broad range of stakeholders, both consumers and

providers, to gather their input and to submit these proceedings and priorities to the US Administration on Aging.

According to Karen Alexander from United Jewish Communities of MetroWest, the goal of the forum was to “gather insights from professionals and consumers on various topics related to the Older Americans Act.” This meeting initiated the conversation regarding service delivery for elder care. It was an opportunity to network and come together as partners. Reauthorization of this bill in 2011 will improve the lives of all older Americans to live independently and with dignity.

Mr. Jacob Toporek, the Executive Director of the NJ State Association of Jewish Federations noted “the reason for meeting together is to address the thoughts, concerns and hopes of older adults who are in need of elder care/services”. Mr. Toporek emphasized that individuals were gathered from many different organizations to share networking opportunities and to be a strong voice for older adults who will be affected by the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act.

### Forum Proceedings

One forum took place on October 13 in the northern region of NJ at the United Jewish Communities of MetroWest’s Aidekman Family Campus in Whippany. Another forum took place on October 14 in the southern region of NJ at the Betty and Milton Katz Jewish Community Center in Cherry Hill. These sites were selected to accommodate as many interested participants from throughout the state. More than 125 persons participated (See Appendix B). The session format was uniform in design but featured different speakers to address the agenda items.

Both programs opened with an overview of the current services provided with support from the Older Americans Act across New Jersey. Jaklyn Devore, NJ Association of Area Agencies on Aging (county offices on aging) President, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging Board Member and the Executive Director of the Essex County Office on Aging, spoke at the northern meeting. Sydelle Norris, Program Development Specialist for the NJ Division of Aging and Community Services of the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services provided a similar overview at the southern meeting.

Following the overview, the participants divided into one of four Breakout Sessions. The Breakout sessions were based on four themes that the planning committee deemed as especially relevant for older adults in New Jersey:

- **Access:** awareness, transportation, language barriers, outreach
- **Aging in Place:** care management & case assistance, health promotion, help with transitions, emergency preparedness, new opportunities
- **Service Coordination:** interagency coordination and intergovernmental collaboration, research & technology
- **Economic Security:** work programs, benefit counseling, intergenerational services, using the Elder Index, senior employment.

Each breakout session had a Resource Team who were facilitators and a recorder. Participants were provided a brief overview by the facilitators and were asked to suggest recommendations related to the theme of the breakout session. In most cases, an extensive list was developed and then the participants in the breakout group voted to determine the six most pressing recommendations. Those six were then forwarded back to the general session. The breakout session results are provided pages 3 to 6.

**ACCESS- Whippany**

Resource Team:  
 Reuben Rotman, Jewish Family Services of MetroWest  
 Theresa Davis, Morris County Division on Aging  
 Recorder: Amy Florence

**ACCESS- Cherry Hill**

Resource Team:  
 Barbara Rutan, Monmouth County Office on Aging  
 James Sigurdson, Community Services of Ocean County  
 Pat Cacacie, United Way of Greater Mercer County  
 Recorder: Bonnie Lee Camp

**Access Recommendations from the breakout groups**

	NORTH	SOUTH
#1	Transportation consortium – coordination by county	Increase funding to Title III
#2	Medicare can be the ideal outreach venue to access everyone and educate about resources	Reprioritize funding across all titles to make senior services a priority,
#3	Creative outreach to Baby Boomers – think out of the box (this is not the Bingo group)	Establish a nation-wide 2-1-1 system with funding for advertising/money allocated for 2-1-1 service
#4	Promotion of joint funded fixed route services	Establish a means test for Title III services
#5	Use Title III funds to buy transit tickets	Provide money for incentives for public/private partnerships
#6	Use faith based community more	Prioritize increased funding for transportation services

## **Aging-in-Place- Whippany**

Resource Team:

Susan Lennon, Executive Director, Warren County Office on Aging,

Karen Alexander, Director of Elder Services, Metro-West

Recorder: Rivka Weiner

## **AGING-IN-PLACE-Cherry Hill**

Resource Team:

Grace Egan, Executive Director of the NJ Foundation for Aging,

Rebecca Rosneau, Director of Senior Services Advocacy & Outreach Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern New Jersey (JFCS)

Note-Taker: Emily Greenfield

### **AGING-IN-PLACE Recommendations from the breakout groups**

	<b>NORTH</b>	<b>SOUTH</b>
#1	More funding for homecare/respice/home services	Allow for subsidized services—especially geriatric care management and home care—for people who do not qualify for income-restricted services but who cannot afford to pay full price.
#2	More funding for aging in place models, innovation in aging i.e. new technology, new programs (Title IV).	Assure high quality of home health care for people receiving home health care services.
#3	Increase of Care management funds	Provide more support for geriatric care management to allow older adults to age-in-place, wherever that is.
#4	More support, outreach, funding and education for paid and unpaid caregivers	Provide more support for critical community-based aging-in-place services, including home modifications, transportation, technology in the home, and reassurance calls.
#5	Volunteer support	Evaluate comprehensive, community-based aging-in-place programs that aim to provide wrap-around services that are responsive to individual and community needs.
#6	Encourage partnerships & new insurance products to cover case management services.	Support the recruitment and management of volunteers who provide important services to help older adults age in place wherever they are.

**SERVICE COORDINATION- Whippany**

Resource Team:

Peg Chester, Middlesex County Office on Aging

Emily Greenfield, Rutgers School of Social Work Programs on Aging

Recorder: Maureen Pathe and Myrna Gomez

**SERVICE COORDINATION-Cherry Hill**

Resource Team:

Susan Romano, Camden County Division of Senior and Disable Services

David Burdick, Stockton Center on Successful Aging

Recorder: Lauren Cleary

**SERVICE COORDINATION Recommendations from the breakout groups**

	NORTH	SOUTH
#1	Make sure there is collaboration at all levels of government to improve the interaction between the service provider and consumers. Need more training and more outreach through collaborative services. Interagency agreements- a necessity.	Clarify relationships of AAA's and ADRC's:  More funding is needed for staff and support in order to properly implement the integration of ADRC's with AAA's.
#2	Adopt physical and mental health promotion, prevention and management through funding.	Collaboration between AOA, CMS, USDOT, USDA, USDO Labor; dept. of justice, FTA:  Technology needs to be used to coordinate these different funding streams so that individuals can be channeled to the proper funding source to avoid duplication, and ensure that some people aren't getting everything, while others are getting nothing.
#3	Evaluation of all types of service delivery programs for continuation of care.	Collaboration between AOA, CMS, USDOT, USDA, USDO Labor; dept. of justice, FTA:  AOA convenes some national leadership council representing high level people from each department to meet together and determine best ways to help individuals age in place.
#4	Need resources to provide ongoing training, hardware and personnel to oversee IT systems in government and service delivery agencies..	Evidence based practice & expedited dissemination of research results: Coordination on a local level once funding comes down in order to share information and knowledge via a type of "roundtable" discussion.

## **ECONOMIC SECURITY-Whippany**

Resource Team:

Michael Ferguson, NORWESCAP

Sean Smith, Easter Seals

Fran Benson, Union County Office on Aging

Recorders: Christine Ledger and Xiomara Gonell

## **ECONOMIC SECURITY- CHERRY HILL**

Resource Team:

Blenda Riddick- AARP NJ

Roger Leahy- NCOA

Sydelle Norris, Program Development Specialist, NJDHSS

Recorder: Brandy Dotson

### **ECONOMIC SECURITY Recommendations from the breakout groups**

	NORTH	SOUTH
#1	Focus on partnerships – increase collaboration (force people to work together)	Tie regional living wage to cost of living wage
#2	Transportation (services need to become more global)	Teach Financial and money management to seniors and encourage use of it
#3	Employment, income (funding for training)	Ensure that legal services appeals process remains funded under title 3 and expanded
#4	Food	More training and employment opportunities for seniors
#5	Housing	More funding for meals on wheels, food and housing for seniors
#6	Family support/caregivers – children taking care of parents (caregivers), grandparents taking care of grandchildren	Increase funding for transportation services for seniors

## **Determining the highest priorities**

Individual scoring sheets were developed for sessions. Emily Greenfield, Professor at the Rutgers School of Social Work facilitated the scoring process at both sessions. The breakout sessions' lists of the top six recommendations were projected for all the general session participants. Oct 13 and 14 participants respectively were asked to score the options above indicating the three most pressing priorities. The results were tabulated and a priority list for each theme was developed. This list was submitted to AOA using their online format.

## **Integrating input across the forums**

The NJFA- in partnership with the Rutgers School of Social Work- tabulated results to identify and formulate the top three ideas under each theme across the two forums. This process yielded a list of 12 recommendations for the Reauthorization of the OAA. Members of the full planning group reviewed the ideas to ensure that the final language best reflects the intent of the stakeholders who participated in the sessions. Upon approval, the NJFA submitted the ideas to the AoA through electronic submission.

## **Top priorities submitted to the AoA**

### **I. Access**

- A. Increase funding for transportation and incentivize counties to better coordinate transportation services, such as through regional consortia. Transportation is an important element for seniors aging-in-place and for their economic security as well.
- B. Create new methods and avenues for disseminating information about available services at key transitional moments, for example upon Medicare enrollment, and hospital discharge; and establish a nationwide 211 system.
- C. Identify and implement the best strategic methods to provide outreach to distinct target populations addressing their future needs and their current caregiver needs such as Baby Boomers and non-English speaking consumers, utilizing new tools such as the Internet.

Submitted in the following AOA topic areas:

- I A. Transportation
- I B. Information and Referral
- I C. Information and Referral

## **II. Aging-in-Place**

- A. Provide more funding for services that are critical for aging-in-place, examples include: homecare, caregiver respite, care management, new technologies and other innovations.
- B. Increase supports for paid and unpaid caregivers, and assure high quality of home health care for people receiving home care services.
- C. Establish a program whereby people who do not qualify for income-restricted homecare services could receive subsidized care.

Submitted in the following AOA topic areas:

II A, II B, II C Home and Community Based Care

## **III. Service Coordination**

- A. Ensure greater collaboration across all levels of government to improve the interaction between service providers and consumers, such as by using technology to make sure that different funding streams for services create equity and efficiency in service distribution.
- B. Provide more funding in order to staff and support the successful implementation of the integration of the ADRC's with AAA's.
- C. Provide more funds for physical and mental health promotion, disease prevention, and care management.

Submitted in the following AOA topic areas:

III A Other- Service Coordination

III B ADRCs

III C Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

## **IV. Economic Security**

- A. Provide greater funding for services that help to meet older adults' basic needs as referenced in the NJ Elder Economic Index, such as meals on wheels, supplemental nutrition assistance, and housing.

- B. Provide more support to families who face significant financial burdens of family caregiving, such as adult children taking care of parents and grandparents taking care of grandchildren.
- C. Increase funding and broaden eligibility for programs that provide job training for unemployed and under-employed adults in middle and later life, as well as support for employers' hiring of older workers.

Submitted in the following AOA topic areas:

IV A Other- Economic Security and Nutrition

IV B Other- Economic Security

IV C Work Force Development

## **Appendix A**

### **Planning Members**

Jacob Toporek, Executive Director, N.J. State Association of Jewish Federations  
Grace Egan, Executive Director, New Jersey Foundation for Aging  
Melissa Chalker, Program Manager, New Jersey Foundation for Aging  
Karen Alexander, Director, Eldercare Services, United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ  
Renie R. Carniol, Manager, Funder Services and Grotta Fund Director  
Emily A. Greenfield, PhD, Assistant Professor, Programs on Aging Coordinator, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, School of Social Work  
Eileen Doremus, Executive Director, Mercer County Office on Aging  
Margaret Chester, Executive Director, Middlesex County Office on Aging  
Pat Bohse, NJ Association of Area Agencies on Aging  
Rebecca Rosenau, Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern New Jersey  
Lynn Thornton, NJ Senior Center Directors Association and West Windsor Senior Center  
Noreen Best, Bergen County Division of Community Development  
Victoria Hasser

## **Appendix B**

### **Registered Participants**

Fred	Davila
Chris	Smith
Ellen	Gartzman
Mary Kate	Kennedy
Sydelle	Norris
Susan	Romano
Pat	Cacacie
David	Burdick
Blenda	Riddick
John F	Hall
Rosann	Kureczko
Barbara	Rutan
Ron	Griffiths
Isaiah	Cooper
Marie	Bayerle
Tom	Pivinski
Ronald	Paul
Lois	Paul
Diane M.	Zane-Stephens
Nancy	Topf
Rebecca	Rosenau

James G	Sigurdson
Beth	Bozzelli
Marcy	Weiner Lahav
BJ	Pinnock
Connie	Fentress
Gail	Belfer
Laura	Merkin
Linda	Coppinger
Susan	Knispel
Roger J.	Leahy
Helen	Grant
Janet	Lickley
Leslie	Potter
Alexandra	Koerte
Lori	Udell
Vanessa	Adams
Nicole	Cupit
Lauren	Cleary
Mitchell	Leysath
Susanne	Long
Burton	Sutker
Eileen	Doremus
Stephen	Bruner
Bonnie Lee	Camp
Brandy	Dotson
Wilma	Messler
Susan	Genauer
Sherri	Hinchman
Donna	Proud
Alexann	Masiko-Meyer
Gary	Snyder

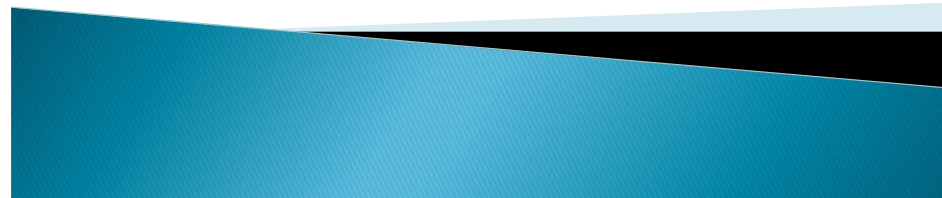
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# Older Americans Act (OAA)

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## Older Americans Act (OAA)

- 1965 Great Society Legislation
- OAA has been reauthorized 16 times
- 2006 amendment authorizes the Act for 5 years through 2011



President Johnson signing the OAA in 1965

## The Basics: Older Americans Act of 1965

- ▶ **Purpose:** to enable older adults to live their lives to the fullest, with access to all available resources and benefits to which they are entitled. OAA programs are intended to provide innovative services that empower older people and contribute to their independence, safety and dignity.
- ▶ Required each state to establish a State Unit on Aging, and in 1973, Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs.)

## Eligibility Requirements

- ▶ Targeted to the most frail, economically and socially disadvantaged elderly, with a focus on low-income minorities.
- ▶ General Services: 60 years of age or older. Not means tested.
- ▶ Family Caregivers: Adults of any age providing care to an older adult or a person with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia regardless of age or grandparents or other individuals 55 years of age or older caring for a child.
- ▶ Older Worker Employment Services: 55 years of age or older and have an adjusted income at or below 125% of Federal Poverty Level

## Seven Titles

**Title I: Declaration of Objectives—broad social policy objectives to improve the lives of all older people: *i.e.*, adequate income in retirement, the best possible physical and mental health, opportunity for employment, and comprehensive long-term care services.**

**Title II: Administration on Aging within the Department of Health and Human Services—Chief federal agency advocate for older people.**

## Seven Titles, continued

**Title III: Grants for State and Community Programs on Aging: Authorizes funds for supportive and nutrition services, family caregiver support, disease prevention and health promotion activities.**

**Title IV: Training, research and demonstration projects in the field of aging. Supports a wide range of projects related to income, health, housing and long term care.**

## **Seven Titles, continued**

**Title V: Senior Community Service Employment Program: part-time jobs for unemployed low-income people age 55 and older. NJ contractors include: NJ DOL, Easter Seals, Experience Works, NCOA and the Urban League.**

**Title VI: Grants for Services for Native Americans: Indian tribal organizations, Native Alaskan organizations, and nonprofit groups representing Native Hawaiians.**

## **Seven Titles, continued**

**Title VII: Vulnerable Elder Rights Protection Activities: Long-term care ombudsman program and Prevention of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation.**

## 2010 Estimated OAA Funding in New Jersey

- ▶ Title III: \$33,000,000 a year
- ▶ Title IV: \$4,000,000 since 2004
- ▶ Title V: \$16,499,499
- ▶ Title VII: \$615,000 a year

**Total: over \$54,000,000 per year**

## Benefits to NJ's Older Adults

### Title III: In 2009

Total served: 453,633 older adults and their caregivers

Total units of service: 8,981,673

#### Top Services/Clients

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| ▶ Information and Assistance –<br>156,003    | ▶ Outreach - 22,332                    |
| ▶ Congregate Meals - 38,491                  | ▶ Physical Health - 14,013             |
| ▶ Newsletter - 35,065                        | ▶ Transportation - 13,579              |
| ▶ State Weekend Home Delivered Meals – 5,944 | ▶ Socialization/Recreation -<br>12,429 |
| ▶ Home Delivered Meals - 27,381              | ▶ Care Management - 7,115              |
| ▶ Education - 26,171                         | ▶ Adult Protective Services –<br>4,230 |
|  | ▶ Certified Home Health - 2,460        |

## **Benefits to NJ's Older Adults, continued**

- ▶ **Services designed to prevent or delay placement in nursing homes or spend-down to Medicaid.**
- ▶ **Leverage other funds:**
  - State: \$22,904,058**
  - Local Public and Private, Client Donations, Other:\$40,451,044**

## **2009 Title V—Senior Community Service Employment Program**

- ▶ **Total Positions: 1,636**
- ▶ **Total Number of Older Workers served: 2,541**
- ▶ **Entered Employment Rate: 46.8%**

## **Other Issues/Concerns**

- ▶ **Census 2010 will determine how much federal funding NJ will receive going forward under the Older Americans Act during which time the State could substantially lose funding to other states now with greater numbers of older adults age 60 and over.**
- ▶ **The act is due for reauthorization in 2011.**

## Speak Out on the Reauthorization of the Older Americans' Act Statewide Forums for Consumers, Caregivers and Providers

### 2 DATES – 2 LOCATIONS

<p><b>Northern Forum</b> <b>Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2010</b> <b>9:30 AM – 12:30 PM</b></p> <p>United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ The Grotta Fund for Senior Care Aidekman Family Campus – Conference Center 901 Route 10 East, Whippany Directions: <a href="http://www.ujcnj.org/directions">http://www.ujcnj.org/directions</a> Parking on site, Lot C</p>
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<p><b>Southern Forum</b> <b>Thursday, Oct. 14, 2010</b> <b>9:30 AM – 12:30 PM</b></p> <p>Betty and Milton Katz Jewish Community Center – Social Hall 1301 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill Directions: <a href="http://www.katzjcc.org/directions.php">http://www.katzjcc.org/directions.php</a></p>
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### Breakout Sessions Based on Four Themes

- **Access:** awareness, transportation, language barriers, outreach
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### *Where can you make the most meaningful contribution?*

For background and more information on the Older Americans Act please visit:

[http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA\\_Programs/OAA/Reauthorization/Index.aspx](http://www.aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA_Programs/OAA/Reauthorization/Index.aspx)

Organizations that helped plan this event include: Samost Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern New Jersey (JFCS), The Rutgers School of Social Work's Programs on Aging, United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ, New Jersey Area Agencies on Aging Association (NJ4A), New Jersey Association of Senior Center Directors, New Jersey Foundation for Aging, N.J. State Association of Jewish Federations, and The Grotta Fund for Senior Care



For more information, please contact the New Jersey Foundation for Aging at (609) 421-0206 or email [mchalker@njfoundationforaging.org](mailto:mchalker@njfoundationforaging.org)

***SPACE IS LIMITED. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!***



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### **Whippany**

<b>Registration, Coffee, etc.</b>	<b>9:30 to 10:00</b>
<b>Opening</b> by Grace Egan, NJ Foundation for Aging	<b>10:00</b>
<b>Welcome</b> by Site Hosts Renie Carniol, Grotta Fund and Karen Alexander, MetroWest	<b>10:05</b>
<b>Goal and Agenda for the day</b> by Grace Egan	
<b>Introduction</b> by Jacob Toporek, Exec. Director of the NJ State Association of Jewish Federations	
<b>Overview</b> of the Older Americans Act Jaklyn Devore, NJ4A President, N4A Board Member and Trustee and Executive Director of the Essex County Office on Aging	<b>10:10 to 10:25</b>
<b>Breakout Sessions held in separate rooms</b> Resource Team Speakers	<b>10:30 to 10:50</b>
<b>Access</b> Theresa Davis, Morris County Division on Aging Ruben Rotman, Jewish Family Services of MetroWest	
<b>Aging in Place</b> Karen Alexander, United Jewish Services of MetroWest Sue Lennon, Warren County Division on Aging & Disability Services	
<b>Service Coordination</b> Peg Chester, Middlesex County Department on Aging Emily Greenfield, Rutgers School of Social Work	
<b>Economic Security</b> Michael Ferguson, NorWesCap Sean Smith, Easter Seals Fran Benson, Union County Division on Aging	
<b>Small Group Discussion</b>	<b>10:50 to 11:10</b>
<b>Voting in Breakout Session</b>	<b>11:10 to 11:20</b>
<b>General Session Reporting &amp; Priorities</b> Emily Greenfield, Rutgers School of Social Work	<b>11:25 to 12:00</b>
<b>Closing</b> Grace Egan, NJ Foundation for Aging	



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<b>Overview</b> of the Older Americans Act Sydelle Norris, Program Development Specialist/Aging (Responsible for Area Agency Quality Assurance) Division of Aging and Community Services Office of AAA Administration	<b>10:10 to 10:25</b>
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## SCORE SHEET

Listed below are the four general themes for consideration under the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act. Each breakout group has identified up to SIX ideas that fit with each of the themes.

Use this score sheet to list which ideas you view as the first priority, second priority, and third priority for policymakers to consider under each theme.

### Theme 1: **Access**

### Theme 2: **Aging In Place**

First Priority: _____ Second Priority: _____ Third Priority: _____	First Priority: _____ Second Priority: _____ Third Priority: _____
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### Theme 3: **Service Coordination**

### Theme 4: **Economic Security**

First Priority: _____ Second Priority: _____ Third Priority: _____	First Priority: _____ Second Priority: _____ Third Priority: _____
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Comments: