



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 173-4-11 Older Americans Act nutrition program: grocery ordering and delivery.

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(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) Requirements for every AAA-provider agreement for grocery ordering and delivery paid, in whole or in part, with Older Americans Act funds:

(1) The AAA-provider agreement is subject to rule 173-3-06 of the Administrative Code.

(2) Procedures: The provider shall 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, may 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, may pay for consumable supplies or material aid to meet basic needs, such as groceries.

Providers may accept other funds (e.g., private pay, SNAP) for consumable supplies or material aid to meet basic needs.

(4) Service verification:

(a) The following are the mandatory reporting items for each episode of service that a provider retains to comply with the requirements under paragraph (B)(9) of rule 173-3-06 of the Administrative Code:



(i) Consumer's name.

(ii) Service date.

(iii) Unique identifier of the consumer or the consumer's caregiver to attest to receiving the service.

(b) During a state of emergency declared by the governor or a federal public health emergency, the provider may verify each episode of service provided without collecting the unique identifier of the consumer or the consumer's caregiver.

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