

REGULATORY AGENDA – June 15, 2009

Agency Name and Address: Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
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PART I - Rules Promulgated *JANUARY 16, 2009 through JUNE 15, 2009:*

Agency did not promulgate rules during this period.

PART II - Expected Rule-making Activity *JUNE 16, 2009 through JANUARY 15, 2010:*

| Type Filing | Title/Subject Area | Objective | Legal Basis | Anticipated Schedule | Agency Contact | Interested Parties |
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| Permanent | <i>Rules, Regulations and Standards Governing the Home and Community Care Services to the Elderly Program</i> | To amend client eligibility requirements such that they are tied to the federal poverty limits (rather than the Rhode Island Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Elderly Program (RIPAE) guidelines); to provide specific income guidelines and cost share information for the Program; and to bring the Regulations into conformity with statutory provisions. | RIGL Chapter 42-66.3 | June 2009 | Paula Parker, MSW, Acting Assistant Director, PParker@dea.ri.gov or 401-462-0546 | Community advocates, home care providers, long term care community |
| Permanent | <i>Rules, Regulations, and Standards Governing Specialized Transportation for Elders and Persons with Disabilities Provided through the RIDE Program and Managed by the Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs</i> | To add an exemption from the RIDE cost share for persons who qualify for DEA’s “CNOM” Program, as defined in the regulations. | RIGL Section 42-66-4 | July 2009 | Paula Parker, MSW, Acting Assistant Director, PParker@dea.ri.gov or 401-462-0546 | Seniors, community advocates, persons with disabilities, RIPTA, adult day care centers, health care facilities, such as kidney dialysis centers |
| Permanent | <i>Rules, Regulations and Standards Governing Security for Housing for the Elderly</i> | To establish a housing security grant program that provides safety and security measures for residents of elderly | RIGL Chapter 42-66.1 | August 2009 | Lisa A. DiNobile, Human Services Program Planner, | Housing complexes for the elderly, seniors, riHousing, community advocates, housing complex |

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| | | <p>housing complexes in Rhode Island. Proposed changes include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Preserving the requirements for ongoing resident safety education as well as the requirements for a safety orientation for all <i>new</i> residents. ➤ Eliminating the provision that allows a participating housing complex to seek a variance from regulatory requirements, thus ensuring full compliance with all RIDEA mandated security measures. ➤ Continuing to require the establishment and maintenance of a security system approved by the Director in every housing complex, both public and private, designated by the federal government as housing for the elderly. ➤ Continuing to award grant funds (through an RFP process) that must be used solely for those measures or equipment that will contribute to the overall safety and security of the housing complex. | | | <p>LDiNobile@dea.ri.gov or 401-462-0530.</p> | <p>managers, municipalities</p> |
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