



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



37.30.2306 OLDER BLIND PROGRAM: SCOPE OF SERVICES

- (1) Older blind services are services determined by qualified staff to be necessary to assist a consumer with maintaining or increasing independence consistent with a consumer's priorities, concerns, abilities, interests, and choice.
- (2) Older blind services include:
 - (a) outreach;
 - (b) low vision assessment, instruction, and assessment equipment;
 - (c) low vision aids and equipment;
 - (d) services and equipment fostering mobility and self-sufficiency;
 - (e) mobility training, Braille instruction, and other services and equipment to help an older individual who is blind adjust to blindness;
 - (f) independent living skills training;
 - (g) information and referral services;
 - (h) peer counseling;
 - (i) individual advocacy training;
 - (j) supportive services;
 - (k) rehabilitation teaching services;
 - (l) training necessary for living in the community and participating in community activities; and
 - (m) any other appropriate service designed to assist with daily living activities.
- (3) Services may be made available in the discretion of the program to enhance a consumer's independence, productivity, and to further the quality of life, and independence of consumers as a group. Those services include, but are not limited to:
 - (a) community awareness programs to enhance understanding and integration into society; and
 - (b) activities to help improve public understanding of problems of consumers.
- (4) Services provided to an individual consumer must be provided in accordance with the independent living plan.

Authorizing statute(s): 53-2-201, 53-7-102, 53-7-302, 53-7-315, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 53-7-301, 53-7-302, 53-7-303, 53-7-306, MCA

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