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# ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESEGISTER DIV. DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICESAUG 30 PM 2: 21

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Policy Type AAA Functions Subject of Policy No-Smoking Policy Directive Policy Number - 225

#### Policy Statement:

The Division of Aging and Adult Services requires that providers and sub-contractors of services funded through Title III of the Older Americans Act and State General Revenue to persons aged 60 and over in congregate facilities, must establish and enforce policies and procedures necessary to ensure environments reasonably free of contaminants.

#### Purpose:

To ensure the establishment of policy and procedures for a smoke-free environment in senior centers, thereby promoting the general health and well being of elderly Arkansans. Currently, one out of every six deaths in America is the result of smoking and for people 60 and older, smoking plays a major part in 6 of the 14 leading causes of death. Passive smoking, or the exposure of nonsmokers to tobacco smoke, has been linked with pulmonary function changes, lung cancer, and heart disease.

### Scope:

This policy applies to all direct providers of services funded wholly or in part by Title III of the Older Americans Act and State General Revenue funds.

## General Authority:

Older Americans Act of 1965, as Amended

Arkansas Code Annotated Section 25-10-101 et. seg.

Effective Date: September 20, 1993