

90821 Procedures for Adoption of Area Plans

(a)

Each area agency shall conduct at least one public meeting on its proposed area plan prior to its adoption. interested parties shall be given the opportunity to submit their views orally at the meeting and in writing before or during the meeting.

(b)

At least 30 days before the meeting the agency shall publish a notice of the hearing in at least two newspapers of general circulation throughout the health planning area. The notice shall: (1) Identify the time and place of the meeting and the availability and location of the proposed plan for public review. (2) Be expressed in the predominant languages used in the health planning area, using words of plain meaning. Predominant languages shall be English and any other language used as a primary language by three percent or more of the population in the health planning area if a newspaper of general circulation is available which will reach persons with such predominant languages.

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(c)

The governing body of the area agency shall adopt the area plan in a public meeting. Notice shall conform to all of the criteria contained in (b) above.

(d)

Each area agency shall forward to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development a copy of the minutes of the meeting at which the area plan was adopted and five copies of the plan. One copy of the plan shall be forwarded to the Advisory Health Council.