Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging FY 2026 Home Delivered Meals RFP – Questions and Responses (2)

Due Date for Questions: Noon, November 7, 2025

Date for Responses to Questions: November 12, 2025

Clarification Question asked by bidder to clarify their question: Submitted

11/13/2025, Response provided 11/14/2025

Clarification Question 1: There is duplicitous language in the doc addressing OAA funding lasting the entire period. Previously, LMOW has always served those in need and for at least 25 years when funding ran out prior to the end of the grant cycle, LMOW has always continued to serve all those clients regardless. We will continue to do so. Is this no longer acceptable? We did get an appreciated increase in funds but unfortunately the need will surpass even that. Will our concerns that have previously been stated regarding this several times be considered? We tend to serve everyone at the beginning as we don't know when someone will go to the hospital, nursing home, rehab or pass. We also don't get some of our funding till later in the year. Is this document and new RFP implementing the 1/12 funding plan?

Clarification Answer 1: The Agency appreciates the provider's long-standing commitment to serving all individuals in need. However, as stated in the RFP Q&A, OAA-funded services must be delivered within the limits of the provider's awarded allocation. Providers may continue serving clients through other funding sources if they choose, but OAA reimbursement cannot exceed the awarded amount (see Response to Q23 in original question document).

The RFP is not implementing a new 1/12 funding model. The nine-month RFP period reflects the shortened contract year, and providers are expected to manage their allocations so that OAA funds last for the full contract period (see Response to Q24 and Q43 in original question document).

Concerns raised previously about increased demand are understood and will continue to be considered as the Agency monitors service needs and funding adequacy across the region.

Clarification Question 2: Is the 1/12, or essentially 1/9, plan being required starting Jan. 1? We had been told that was not the case but the wording now strongly suggests otherwise? The question I was really asking was about serving those we are already serving.

Clarification Answer 2: No, the Agency is not requiring implementation of a 1/12 or 1/9 funding plan beginning January 1. As stated in the original responses, the language reflects the shortened nine-month contract year rather than a shift to a monthly allocation process (Response to Q24 in original question document).

Regarding serving existing clients: Providers may continue to serve all currently enrolled eligible clients; however, OAA-funded services must remain within the provider's available allocation. If a provider chooses to continue service beyond the OAA funding limit, it may do so only through non-OAA funding sources (Response to Q23 in original question document).

Clarification Question 3: So can we continue as is, but keeping in mind that the funding should last all year, but might not?

Clarification Answer 3: Yes, providers may continue their current service practices with the understanding that OAA funds must be managed so they last throughout the contract period. As stated in the previous responses, OAA reimbursement is limited to the award amount, and it is the Agency's expectation that each provider's allocation will support service delivery for the entire nine-month term (Response to Q43 in original question document).

If a provider chooses to serve beyond its OAA allocation, it may do so using other available funding sources, but OAA funds cannot be exceeded.