**Tribal Plan on Aging**

**2019-2021**

**Template and Self-Assessment Form**

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*\*Yellow Highlight indicates sections required for annual assessment*

1. **Verification of Intent**

This plan represents the intent of the tribe to assure that older people have the opportunity to realize their full potential and to participate in all areas of community life.

On behalf of the tribe, we certify that these organizations have reviewed the plan, and have authorized us to submit this plan which outlines activities to be undertaken on behalf of older people during 2019-2021.

We assure that the activities identified in this plan will be carried out to the best of the ability of the tribe.

We verify that all information contained in this plan is correct.

Signature, and Title of the Chairperson of the Commission on Aging Date

Signature, and Title of the Authorized Tribal Representative Date

1. **Executive Summary**
2. **Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit 3-A** **Mission Statement and Description of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-B** **Organizational Chart of the Tribal Aging Unit**

Provide an organizational chart, which clearly depicts the place of the aging unit, the policy-making body, and (where applicable) the advisory committee, in relation to the tribal government.

**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-C Tribal** **Aging Unit Coordination with ADRCs**

**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-D** **Statutory Requirements for the Structure of the Aging Unit**

Chapter 46.82 of the Wisconsin Statutes sets certain legal requirements for aging units.

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| Organization: The law permits one of three options. Which of the following permissible options has the county chosen? | **Check**  **One** |
| 1. An agency of county/tribal government with the primary purpose of administering programs for older individuals of the county/tribe. |  |
| 2. A unit, within a county/tribal department with the primary purpose of administering programs for older individuals of the county/tribe. |  |
| 3. A private nonprofit corporation, as defined in s. 181.0103 (17). |  |
| Organization of the Commission on Aging: The law permits one of three options. Which of the following permissible options has the county chosen? | **Check One** |
| 1. For an aging unit that is described in (1) or (2) above, organized as a committee of the county board of supervisors/tribal council, composed of supervisors and, advised by an advisory committee, appointed by the county board/tribal council. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of the advisory committee and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of the advisory committee. |  |
| 2. For an aging unit that is described in (1) or (2) above, composed of individuals of recognized ability and demonstrated interest in services for older individuals. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of this commission and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of this commission. |  |
| 3. For an aging unit that is described in (3) above, the board of directors of the private, nonprofit corporation. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of this commission and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of this commission. |  |
| **Full-Time Aging Director:** The law requires that the aging unit have a full-time director as described below. Does the tribe  have a full-time aging director as required by law? | **Yes/**  **No** |

**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-E Membership of the** **Policy-Making Body**

Chapter 46.82 of the Wisconsin Statutes sets certain legal requirements for aging units.

“Members of a county/tribal commission on aging shall serve for terms of 3 years, so arranged that, as nearly as practicable, the terms of one-third of the members shall expire each year, and no member may serve more than 2 consecutive 3-year terms.“ In the case of county board/tribal council members, the requirement is 3 consecutive 2-year terms.

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| Official Name of the Tribal Aging Unit’s Policy-Making Body (list below) | | | |
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| Name | **Age 60 and Older** | Elected Official | Year First Term Began |
| **Chairperson:** |  |  |  |
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**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-F Membership of the** **Advisory Committee**

If the aging unit has an advisory committee, listed below are the members of the advisory committee.

Chapter 46.82 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires that the membership of the aging advisory committee (where applicable) must consist of at least 50% older people, and individuals who are elected to office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership.

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| Official Name of the Tribal Aging Unit’s Advisory Committee (list below) | | | |
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| **Chairperson:** |  |  |  |
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**For assessment only – Please update the Commission on Aging and Aging Advisory membership**

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| ***Please answer “Y” or “N”*** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** | **Describe** |
| **Has the organization of the *Aging Unit* changed this past year?** |  |  |  |  |
| **Has the organization of the *Commission on Aging* changed this past year?** |  |  |  |  |
| **Does the aging unit have a full-time aging director?** |  |  |  |  |
| **Is the membership of the Commission on Aging in Compliance?** |  |  |  |  |

**3. Organization and Structure of the Tribal Aging Unit**

**3-G** **Staff of the Tribal Aging Unit**

Listed below are the people employed by the Tribal Aging Unit. Include additional pages as needed.

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| Name:  Job Title:  Telephone Number/email Address: |
| Brief Description of Duties: |
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**4.** **Context**

**5.** **Public Involvement in the Development of the Tribal Aging Plan**

PUBLIC INPUT GATHERED BEFORE DEVELOPING THE PLAN:

Please use the [Public Input Report form](https://gwaar.org/api/cms/viewFile/id/2004457) to explain how you gathered information and ideas from the public prior to developing your plan. Attach completed forms to the plan.

PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD BEFORE SUBMITTING FINAL PLAN:

Before submitting the final plan to the Area Agency on Aging (AAA), the aging unit must conduct one or more public hearings on the draft plan. Please use the [Public Hearing Report form](https://gwaar.org/api/cms/viewFile/id/2004458) to document your public hearings and attach forms to the plan.

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| **Public notice:**   1. *Official public notification began at least 2 weeks prior?* | **Yes or No** |
| 1. *Notifications included date, time, location, subject and that the plan is available for examination?* |  |
| 1. *Hearing notice notarized and sent to GWAAR?* |  |
| 1. *Notice posted in local print/online newspaper and one other place (newsletter, radio, TV, social media) and sent to partner agencies/individuals?* |  |
| 1. *Posted at nutrition sites and senior centers?* |  |
| 1. *Where appropriate, notice was made available in languages other than English?* |  |
| **Location and Number of Hearings:**   1. *Locations are convenient, accessible, large enough?* |  |
| 1. *Provisions made for people with hearing/visual impairments or non-English speaking?* |  |
| 1. *Hearings held at several locations in the county?* |  |
| 1. *Hearings ARE held in conjunction with meetings of local aging organizations, but NOT with board/committee meetings?* |  |

**6.** **Goals for the Plan Period**

**Progress notes to be completed during self-assessment process.**

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| **Aging Unit Plan Goals**  *(write at least one goal per focus area per year* **-** *add extra boxes as needed – put curser to the left of the box and click the + sign)* | | **Progress Notes**  *(briefly summarize only those activities completed as of Dec. of each year)* | **check if completed** | | |
| **2019** | **2020** | **2021** |
| **Focus Area 6-A. Advocacy Related Activities** | | | | | |
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| **Focus Area 6-B. The Elder Nutrition Program** | | | | | |
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| **Focus Area 6-C. Services in Support of Caregivers** | | | | | |
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| **Focus Area 6-E. Healthy Aging** | | | | | |
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| **Focus Area 6-F. Local Priorities** | | | | | |
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**7. Coordination Between Titles III and VI**

Describe how the Tribal and County aging units will work together to coordinate and ensure the provision of services to tribal elders. Provide a narrative describing collaboration efforts and goals for each year of the plan.

**Progress notes to be completed during self-assessment process.**

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| **Provide goals for each year of the plan.** | **Progress Notes** | **2019** | **2020** | **2021** |
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**9.** **Compliance with Federal and State Laws and Regulations**

On behalf of the tribe, we certify

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(Give the full name of the tribal aging unit)

has reviewed the appendix to the tribal plan entitled Assurances of Compliance with Federal and State Laws and Regulations for 2019-2021. We assure that the activities identified in this plan will be carried out to the best of the ability of the tribe in compliance with the federal and state laws and regulations listed in the Assurances of Compliance with Federal and State Laws and Regulations for 2019-2021.

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Signature and Title of the Chairperson of the Commission on Aging Date

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Signature and Title of the Authorized Tribal Council Representative Date

**10. Assurances**

The applicant certifies compliance with the following regulations:

**1. Legal Authority of the Applicant**

• The applicant must possess legal authority to apply for the grant.

• A resolution, motion or similar action must be duly adopted or passed as an official act of the applicant's governing body, authorizing the filing of the application, including all understandings and assurances contained therein.

• This resolution, motion or similar action must direct and authorize the person identified as the official representative of the applicant to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required.

**2. Outreach, Training, Coordination, & Public Information**

• The applicant must assure that outreach activities are conducted to ensure the participation of eligible older persons in all funded services as required by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources designated area agency on aging.

• The applicant must assure that each service provider trains and uses elderly persons and other volunteers and paid personnel as required by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources designated area agency on aging.

• The applicant must assure that each service provider coordinates with other service providers, including senior centers and the nutrition program, in the planning and service area as required by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources designated area agency on aging.

• The applicant must assure that public information activities are conducted to ensure the participation of eligible older persons in all funded services as required by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources designated area agency on aging.

**3. Preference for Older People with Greatest Social and Economic Need**

The applicant must assure that all service providers follow priorities set by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources designated area agency on aging for serving older people with greatest social and economic need.

**4. Advisory Role to Service Providers of Older Persons**

The applicant must assure that each service provider utilizes procedures for obtaining the views of participants about the services they receive.

**5. Contributions for Services**

• The applicant shall assure that agencies providing services supported with Older Americans Act and state aging funds shall give older adults a free and voluntary opportunity to contribute to the costs of services consistent with the Older Americans Act regulations.

• Each older recipient shall determine what he/she is able to contribute toward the cost of the service. No older adult shall be denied a service because he/she will not or cannot contribute to the cost of such service.

• The applicant shall provide that the methods of receiving contributions from individuals by the agencies providing services under the county/tribal plan shall be handled in a manner that assures the confidentially of the individual's contributions.

• The applicant must assure that each service provider establishes appropriate procedures to safeguard and account for all contributions.

• The applicant must assure that each service provider considers and reports the contributions made by older people as program income. All program income must be used to expand the size or scope of the funded program that generated the income. Nutrition service providers must use all contributions to expand the nutrition services. Program income must be spent within the contract period that it is generated.

**6. Confidentiality**

• The applicant shall ensure that no information about, or obtained from an individual and in possession of an agency providing services to such individual under the county/tribal or area plan, shall be disclosed in a form identifiable with the individual, unless the individual provides his/her written informed consent to such disclosure.

• Lists of older adults compiled in establishing and maintaining information and referral sources shall be used solely for the purpose of providing social services and only with the informed consent of each person on the list.

• In order that the privacy of each participant in aging programs is in no way abridged, the confidentiality of all participant data gathered and maintained by the State Agency, the Area Agency, the county or tribal aging agency, and any other agency, organization, or individual providing services under the State, area, county, or tribal plan, shall be safeguarded by specific policies.

• Each participant from whom personal information is obtained shall be made aware of his or her rights to:

(a) Have full access to any information about one’s self which is being kept on file;

(b) Be informed about the uses made of the information about him or her, including the identity of all persons and agencies involved and any known consequences for providing such data; and,

(c) Be able to contest the accuracy, completeness, pertinence, and necessity of information being retained about one’s self and be assured that such information, when incorrect, will be corrected or amended on request.

• All information gathered and maintained on participants under the area, county or tribal plan shall be accurate, complete, and timely and shall be legitimately necessary for determining an individual’s need and/or eligibility for services and other benefits.

• No information about, or obtained from, an individual participant shall be disclosed in any form identifiable with the individual to any person outside the agency or program involved without the informed consent of the participant or his/her legal representative, except:

(a) By court order; or,

(b) When securing client-requested services, benefits, or rights.

• The lists of older persons receiving services under any programs funded through the State Agency shall be used solely for the purpose of providing said services, and can only be released with the informed consent of each individual on the list.

• All paid and volunteer staff members providing services or conducting other activities under the area plan shall be informed of and agree to:

(a) Their responsibility to maintain the confidentiality of any client-related information learned through the execution of their duties. Such information shall not be discussed except in a professional setting as required for the delivery of service or the conduct of other essential activities under the area plan; and,

(b) All policies and procedures adopted by the State and Area Agency to safeguard confidentiality of participant information, including those delineated in these rules.

• Appropriate precautions shall be taken to protect the safety of all files, microfiche, computer tapes and records in any location which contain sensitive information on individuals receiving services under the State or area plan. This includes but is not limited to assuring registration forms containing personal information are stored in a secure, locked drawer when not in use.

**7. Records and Reports**

• The applicant shall keep records and make reports in such form and requiring such information as may be required by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources and in accordance with guidelines issued solely by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources and the Administration on Aging.

• The applicant shall maintain accounts and documents which will enable an accurate review to be made at any time of the status of all funds which it has been granted by the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources through its designated area agency on aging. This includes both the disposition of all monies received and the nature of all charges claimed against such funds.

**8. Licensure and Standards Requirements**

• The applicant shall assure that where state or local public jurisdiction requires licensure for the provision of services, agencies providing services under the county/tribal or area plan shall be licensed or shall meet the requirements for licensure.

• The applicant is cognizant of and must agree to operate the program fully in conformance with all applicable state and local standards, including the fire, health, safety and sanitation standards, prescribed in law or regulation.

**9. Civil Rights**

• The applicant shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and in accordance with that act, no person shall on the basis of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity under this plan.

• All grants, sub-grants, contracts or other agents receiving funds under this plan are subject to compliance with the regulation stated in 9 above.

• The applicant shall develop and continue to maintain written procedures which specify how the agency will conduct the activities under its plan to assure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

• The applicant shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act (42 USC 2000d) prohibiting employment discrimination where (1) the primary purpose of a grant is to provide employment or (2) discriminatory employment practices will result in unequal treatment of persons who are or should be benefiting from the service funded by the grant.

• All recipients of funds through the county/tribal or area plan shall operate each program or activity so that, when viewed in its entirety, the program or activity is accessible to and usable by handicapped adults as required in the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968.

**10. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970**

The applicant shall comply with requirements of the provisions of the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provides for fair and equitable treatment of federal and federally assisted programs.

**11. Political Activity of Employees**

The applicant shall comply with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. Sections 7321-7326), which limit the political activity of employees who work in federally funded programs. [Information about the Hatch Act is available from the U.S. Office of Special Counsel at http://www.osc.gov/]

**12. Fair Labor Standards Act**

The applicant shall comply with the minimum wage and maximum hours provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (Title 29, United States Code, Section 201-219), as they apply to hospital and educational institution employees of state and local governments.

**13. Private Gain**

The applicant shall establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is or appears to be motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others (particularly those with whom they have family, business or other ties).

**14. Assessment and Examination of Records**

• The applicant shall give the Federal agencies, State agencies and the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources authorized Area Agencies on Aging access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers or documents related to the grant.

• The applicant must agree to cooperate and assist in any efforts undertaken by the grantor agency, or the Administration on aging, to evaluate the effectiveness, feasibility, and costs of the project.

• The applicant must agree to conduct regular on-site assessments of each service provider receiving funds through a contract with the applicant under the county or tribal plan.

**15. Maintenance of Non-Federal Funding**

• The applicant assures that the aging unit, and each service provider, shall not use Older Americans Act or state aging funds to supplant other federal, state or local funds.

• The applicant must assure that each service provider must continue or initiate efforts to obtain funds from private sources and other public organizations for each service funded under the county or tribal plan.

**16. Regulations of Grantor Agency**

The applicant shall comply with all requirements imposed by the Department of Health and Family Services, Division of Supportive Living, Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources concerning special requirements of federal and state law, program and fiscal requirements, and other administrative requirements.

**17. Older Americans Act**

The applicant shall comply with all requirements of the Older Americans Act (PL 89-73).

**18. Federal Regulations**

The applicant shall comply with all federal regulations (45 CFR 1321) governing Older Americans Act funds and programs.

**19. Wisconsin Elders Act**

The aging unit must comply with the provisions of the Wisconsin Elders Act.

Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 46.82 Aging unit.

“Aging unit” means an aging unit director and necessary personnel, directed by a county or tribal commission on aging and organized as one of the following:

(1) An agency of county or tribal government with the primary purpose of administering programs of services for older individuals of the county or tribe.

(2) A unit, within a county department under s. 46.215, 46.22

(3) or 46.23, with the primary purpose of administering programs of

and services for older individuals of the county

(4) A private corporation that is organized under ch. 181 and

(5) that is a nonprofit corporation, as defined in s. 181.0103 (17).

Aging Unit; Creation. A county board of supervisors of a county, the county boards of supervisors of 2 or more contiguous counties or an elected tribal governing body of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state may choose to administer, at the county or tribal level, programs for older individuals that are funded under 42 USC 3001 to 3057n, 42 USC 5001 and 42 USC 5011 (b). If this is done, the county board or boards of supervisors or tribal governing body shall establish by resolution a county or tribal aging unit to provide the services required under this section. If a county board of supervisors or a tribal governing body chooses, or the county boards of supervisors of 2 or more contiguous counties choose, not to administer the programs for older individuals, the department shall direct the area agency on aging that serves the relevant area to contract with a private, nonprofit corporation to provide for the county, tribe or counties the services required under this section.

Aging Unit; Powers and Duties. In accordance with state statutes, rules promulgated by the department and relevant provisions of 42 USC 3001 to 3057n and as directed by the county or tribal commission on aging, an aging unit:

(a) Duties. Shall do all of the following:

1. Work to ensure that all older individuals, regardless of income, have access to information, services and opportunities available through the county or tribal aging unit and have the opportunity to contribute to the cost of services and that the services and resources of the county or tribal aging unit are designed to reach those in greatest social and economic need.

2. Plan for, receive and administer federal, state and county, city, town or village funds allocated under the state and area plan on aging to the county or tribal aging unit and any gifts, grants or payments received by the county or tribal aging unit, for the purposes for which allocated or made.

3. Provide a visible and accessible point of contact for individuals to obtain accurate and comprehensive information about public and private resources available in the community which can meet the needs of older individuals.

4. As specified under s. 46.81, provide older individuals with services of benefit specialists or appropriate referrals for assistance.

5. Organize and administer congregate programs, which shall include a nutrition program and may include one or more senior centers or adult day care or respite care programs, that enable older individuals and their families to secure a variety of services, including nutrition, daytime care, educational or volunteer opportunities, job skills preparation and information on health promotion, consumer affairs and civic participation.

6. Work to secure a countywide or tribal transportation system that makes community programs and opportunities accessible to, and meets the basic needs of, older individuals.

7. Work to ensure that programs and services for older individuals are available to homebound, disabled and non-English speaking persons, and to racial, ethnic and religious minorities.

8. Identify and publicize gaps in services needed by older individuals and provide leadership in developing services and programs, including recruitment and training of volunteers, that address those needs.

9. Work cooperatively with other organizations to enable their services to function effectively for older individuals.

10. Actively incorporate and promote the participation of older individuals in the preparation of a county or tribal comprehensive plan for aging resources that identifies needs, goals, activities and county or tribal resources for older individuals.

11. Provide information to the public about the aging experience and about resources for and within the aging population.

12. Assist in representing needs, views and concerns of older individuals in local decision making and assist older individuals in expressing their views to elected officials and providers of services.

13. If designated under s. 46.27 (3) (b) 6., administer the long-term support community options program.

14. If the department is so requested by the county board of supervisors, administer the pilot projects for home and community-based long-term support services under s. 46.271.

15. If designated under s. 46.90 (2), administer the elder abuse reporting system under s. 46.90.

16. If designated under s. 46.87 (3) (c), administer the Alzheimer’s disease family and caregiver support program under s.

46.87.

17. If designated by the county or in accordance with a contract with the department, operate the specialized transportation assistance program for a county under s. 85.21.

18. Advocate on behalf of older individuals to assist in enabling them to meet their basic needs.

19. If an aging unit under sub. (1) (a) 1. or 2. and if authorized under s. 46.283 (1) (a) 1., apply to the department to operate a resource center under s. 46.283 and, if the department contracts with the county under s. 46.283 (2), operate the resource center.

20. If an aging unit under sub. (1) (a) 1. or 2. and if authorized under s. 46.284 (1) (a) 1., apply to the department to operate a care management organization under s. 46.284 and, if the department contracts with the county under s. 46.284 (2), operate the care management organization and, if appropriate, place funds in a risk reserve.

(b) Powers. May perform any other general functions necessary to administer services for older individuals.

(4) Commission On Aging.

(a) Appointment.

1. Except as provided under sub. 2., the county board of supervisors in a county that has established a single-county aging unit, the county boards of supervisors in counties that have established a multicounty aging unit or the elected tribal governing body of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band that has established a tribal aging unit shall, before qualification under this section, appoint a governing and policy-making body to be known as the commission on aging.

2. In any county that has a county executive or county administrator and that has established a single-county aging unit, the county executive or county administrator shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the county board of supervisors, the commission on aging. A member of a commission on aging appointed under this subdivision may be removed by the county executive or county administrator for cause.

(b) Composition.

A commission on aging, appointed under par. (a) shall be one of the following:

1. For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 1. or 2., organized as a committee of the county board of supervisors, composed of supervisors and, beginning January 1, 1993, advised by an advisory committee, appointed by the county board. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of the advisory committee and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of the advisory committee.

2. For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 1. or 2., composed of individuals of recognized ability and demonstrated interest in services for older individuals. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of this commission and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of this commission.

3. For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 3., the board of directors of the private, nonprofit corporation. Older individuals shall constitute at least 50% of the membership of this commission and individuals who are elected to any office may not constitute 50% or more of the membership of this commission.

(c) Terms.

Members of a county or tribal commission on aging shall serve for terms of 3 years, so arranged that, as nearly as practicable, the terms of one-third of the members shall expire each year, and no member may serve more than 2 consecutive 3-year terms. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments. A county or tribal commission on aging member appointed under par. (a) 1. may be removed from office for cause by a two-thirds vote of each county board of supervisors or tribal governing body participating in the appointment, on due notice in writing and hearing of the charges against the member.

(c) Powers and duties.

A county or tribal commission on aging appointed under sub. (4) (a) shall, in addition to any other powers or duties established by state law, plan and develop administrative and program policies, in accordance with state law and within limits established by the department of health and family services, if any, for programs in the county or for the tribe or band that are funded by the federal or state government for administration by the aging unit. Policy decisions not reserved by statute for the department of health and family services may be delegated by the secretary to the county or tribal commission on aging. The county or tribal commission on aging shall direct the aging unit with respect to the powers and duties of the aging unit under sub. (3).

(5) Aging Unit Director; Appointment. A full-time aging unit director shall be appointed on the basis of recognized and demonstrated interest in and knowledge of problems of older individuals, with due regard to training, experience, executive and administrative ability and general qualification and fitness for the performance of his or her duties, by one of the following:

(a) 1. For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 1., except as provided in subd. 2., a county or tribal commission on aging shall make the appointment, subject to the approval of and to the personnel policies and procedures established by each county board of supervisors or the tribal governing body that participated in the appointment of the county or tribal commission on aging. 2. In any county that has a county executive or county administrator and that has established a single-county aging unit, the county executive or county administrator shall make the appointment, subject to the approval of and to the personnel policies and procedures established by each county board of supervisors that participated in the appointment of the county commission on aging.

(b) For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 2., the director of the county department under s. 46.215, 46.22 or 46.23 of which the aging unit is a part shall make the appointment, subject to the personnel policies and procedures established by the county board of supervisors.

(d) For an aging unit that is described in sub. (1) (a) 3., the commission on aging under sub. (4) (b) 3. shall make the appointment, subject to ch. 181.

**11. Appendices**