

SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL CODE OF ETHICS FORM

The Older Americans Act clearly affirms our Nation's sense of responsibility toward the well-being of all of our older citizens. In recognition of that responsibility, each Area Agency on Aging (AAA) must have an advisory council. The role of this council is to carry out advisory functions which further the area agency's mission of developing and coordinating community-based systems of services for all older persons in the planning and service area.

The Senior Citizens Advisory Council (SCAC) is the advisory council for the Orange County Office on Aging (OoA), which is the designated AAA for Planning & Service Area 22, Orange County.

Members of SCAC are cognizant of their obligation to discharge the responsibility given to them, and vow to follow the path of high moral conduct and service implicit in the following code:

1. As a volunteer, I realize that I am subject to a code of ethics similar to that which binds the professional in the field in which I work.
2. I accept the plural ethnicity of SCAC members, their cultural and educational variations. I will value the commitment of each as much as I do my own, and show respect to each.
3. In compliance with county policies and procedures, I will work faithfully to accomplish the objectives of SCAC, and will strive to maintain the dignity of SCAC in any authorized speaking engagements or authorized written articles.
4. I will adhere to the policy of the County of Orange regarding Legislative Advocacy by County Advisory Boards and Commissions. As a member of SCAC, any letter of advocacy or any oral statements will contain a statement of my personal position only, not as a representative of SCAC.
5. I recognize and accept the administrative policies, responsibilities, and procedural concepts of SCAC as they are enunciated in the Bylaws.
6. I promise to bring to my work with SCAC an attitude of open-mindedness; to bring to it interest and attention; and to work in support of SCAC priorities.

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- 7. I will attend the regularly scheduled meetings of SCAC and the standing committee with which I am affiliated, unless excused because of illness or other legitimate reasons.

- 8. I promise not to use my role as a SCAC member in any manner that reflects negatively on the high moral standards of SCAC or the County of Orange, or negatively on any SCAC member.

- 9. I will show respect to the staff of the County of Orange Office on Aging, and other County departments.

Signature of SCAC Member

Printed Name of SCAC Member

Date