Senior Corps Program Regulations Overview of Amendments since March 1999 (Amended Section Shown in Parentheses)

Topic	FGP	SCP	RSVP	Pub. Date	Effect. Date
Elimination of 25% Benefits Requirement for RSVP			Eliminated requirement that volunteer benefits/cost reimbursements must be an amount equal to 25% of the Corporation funds. (§2553.72 and §2553.73)	2/14/02	3/25/02
Hours of Service for FGP and SCP	Increased terms of service flexibility to 15-40 hours per week up to maximum of 2088 hours per year. (§2552.51)	Increased terms of service flexibility to 15-40 hours per week up to maximum of 2088 hours per year. (§2551.51)		9/27/02	10/28/02
Income Eligibility for SCP and FGP	Clarified income to be counted toward eligibility for applicants and serving volunteers (§2552.42)	Clarified income to be counted toward eligibility for applicants and serving volunteers (§2551.42)		9/27/02	10/28/02
Sponsor as Volunteer Station for FGP and SCP	Allowed sponsor to be the volunteer station, provided this is part of an approved work plan. (§2552.61)	Allowed sponsor to be the volunteer station, provided this is part of an approved work plan. (§2551.61)		9/27/02	10/28/02
SCP Volunteer Leaders		Allowed payment of monetary incentive to SCP volunteer leaders. (§2551.45). Added provision permitting Senior Companions to serve as volunteer leaders. (§2551.71) Defined assignment plans required for SCP volunteer leaders. (§2551.72)		9/27/02	10/28/02

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Limited English Proficiency for All Programs	Included access by persons of Limited English proficiency under non-discrimination provision (§2552.23)	Included access by persons of Limited English proficiency under non-discrimination provision (§2551.23)	Included access by persons of Limited English proficiency under non-discrimination provision (§2553.23)	2/14/02 for RSVP 9/27/02 for FGP/SCP	3/25/02 for RSVP 10/28/02 for FGP/SCP
Medical Expense Deduction for FGP and SCP	Increased medical expense deduction for income eligibility determination from 15% to 50% of the applicable income eligibility guideline. (§2552.42)	Increased medical expense deduction for income eligibility determination from 15% to 50% of the applicable income eligibility guideline. (§2551.42)		4/14/04 for FGP 4/19/04 for SCP	4/14/04 for FGP 4/19/04 for SCP
Use of Project Funds for Volunteer Expenses for All Programs	Allowed project funds to be used for volunteer expense items, including transportation, incurred while performing assignments, provided the expenses are described in the Memorandum of Understanding with the volunteer station (§2552.45 and §2552.93)	Allowed project funds to be used for volunteer expense items, including transportation, incurred while performing assignments, provided the expenses are described in the Memorandum of Understanding with the volunteer station and there are sufficient funds to meet these expenses and all other requirements of the NGA. (§2551.45 and §2551.93)	Allowed project funds to be used for volunteer expense items, including transportation, incurred while performing assignments, provided the expenses are described in the Memorandum of Understanding with the volunteer station (§2553.43 and §2553.73)	4/14/04 for FGP 4/19/04 for SCP and RSVP	4/14/04 for FGP 4/19/04 for SCP and RSVP

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Use of Project Funds for Volunteer Expenses for All Programs	Technical correction to the amendment of 4/14/04. Brought FGP language in line with that of SCP by clarifying that volunteer expenses items may be used for volunteer expense items provided that there are sufficient funds to meet these expenses and all other requirements of the NGA. (§2552.45)		Technical correction to the amendment of 4/19/04. Brought RSVP language in line with that of SCP by deleting an item that contradicted the intent of the amendment and clarifying that volunteer expenses items may be used for volunteer expense items provided that there are sufficient funds to meet these expenses and all other requirements of the NGA. (§2553.43)	9/22/04	9/22/04
Faith-Based Organizations	Clarified eligibility of and requirements for faith-based organizations to serve as sponsors and volunteer stations (§2552.12, §2552.23 and §2552.121)	Clarified eligibility of and requirements for faith-based organizations to serve as sponsors and volunteer stations (§2551.12, §2551.23 and §2551.121)	Clarified eligibility of and requirements for faith-based organizations to serve as sponsors and volunteer stations (§2553.12, §2553.21, §2553.23 and §2551.91)	10/7/04	10/7/04

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