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Shannon Skowronski Administration for Community Living Washington, CD 20201.

Dear Ms. Skowronski,

The Pitt County Council on Aging has reviewed the <u>Public Comment on Prevention and Public Health Fund Evidence-Based Falls Prevention Program Information Collection</u>. We would like to provide input to the public comments on the proposed falls prevention data collection forms in the Federal Register. Here are our comments based on a review of the documents. In general, these forms appear to have utility to provide accurate data collection and reporting, comparison of pre-post scores, and determining the effectiveness of the evidence-based programs being provided. Since the programs have uniform data collection, they also enable a comparison of different evidence-based programs in various geographic areas.

We have comments on the following forms:

## • Participant Information Form

## Comments:

- It would be helpful to put the reason people are completing the form on the top of the form or make sure it is explained well during the class.
- Suggest titling the top of the form General Information where general client information is collected and then denoting with a line and a second sub-title which says Pre Program Survey for the part that is collecting the information to compare with the Post Program Survey. Also, suggest grouping these questions together to align with the Post Program Survey. For example, question #9 on this form can be moved closer to #12 which then matches the order of the Post Program survey.
- Question #10: Some individuals may not understand what "other psychotic disorders" are and additional examples may be helpful.
- Question # 20: It would be helpful if some examples of "vigorous" and "moderate" exercise were listed since some people may not understand these terms.

o Some people may not understand the term "sedentary." A few examples of activities would be helpful.

## Participant Post Program Survey

## Comments:

- Question #9: It would be helpful if some examples of "vigorous" and "moderate" exercise were listed since some people may not understand these terms.
- Some people may not understand the term "sedentary." A few examples of activities would be helpful.

Thank you for considering these public comments.

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