§ 465-b. Responsibilities of the commissioner. The commissioner shall directly or through contract administer a program of nutrition outreach that shall include but not be limited to:

1. statewide coordination;

2. provision of information as to the availability of, eligibility criteria for, and application procedure for food assistance programs;

3. coordination of efforts among state agencies including, but not limited to, the department of health, the office for the aging, and the education department and community agencies involved in food assistance programs;

4. compilation of statistical data from state and local agencies and dissemination to community organizations; and

5. nutrition education.