

**Sixteen State Performance Indicator Project
August 2, 2001 Conference Call**

Minutes reported by Ellen Sparks, South Carolina

States Present: CO, CT, DC, IL, IN, NY, OK, RI, SC, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, also Ron Manderscheid, Olinda Gonzalez, Nancy Callahan and Vijay Ganju.

16 State Final Report: The final report time lines proposed are that states have their data in by 9/15 to workgroup chairs and that workgroup chairs have the data sent to NASMHPD by 9/30. The state individual final report narrative is to be due by 10/15 and a final version of the entire report would be completed by NASMHPD in December. A draft of the final report would first be sent to States for review, comment, and needed revision before becoming public in December.

It was suggested that workgroup chairpersons have a conference call within the next two weeks to review templates, content and other format issues for the final report. Workgroup chairs will have input to information provided on respective indicators. Additionally, twelve or 13 states have requested no cost extensions; it was suggested that it would be good to provide as much data possible in the report by September 15 with further data reporting at a later time for a more complete report to be finalized in March.

The committee that was set up to work on the website data will also have a conference call to discuss data reporting on the website which reflects what is in the final report.

The website data will soon be announced to the National CMHS Advisory Board and the 16 State data will be included in the next state profiling cycle.

The website data was also presented to state commissioners at their recent meeting. One of the slides ranked states, and this raised some concern. Vijay explained that this was used to illustrate how this type of data can result in comparisons of states and the danger in doing so. He stated more work would be needed in the presentation of the data even with the caveats now attached to the data.

Grant Transition: Many states have applied for no cost extensions and this raises the issue of how to complete work on one grant while beginning work on another. It was suggested that a workgroup be formed to look at the transition including how the present indicator workgroups will transition into the new grant activities.

Ron stated that all new grants have been reviewed non-competitively and that state technical assistance needs have been identified for future reference. It is anticipated that all state data infrastructure applicants will be funded.

Review of Indicator Workgroups:

Stakeholder Participation- Donna Stimpson was not on the call. Olinda will have her update the

group on the listserv.

Penetration Rates- John Pandiani has data for 15 of 16 states for 2000. He also has some data on regional rates. There was a question about ethnicity breakouts which is currently ethnicity being reported as white and non-white for this indicator. John indicated that for the final report, more breakouts will be reported if possible, but states have reported this characteristic in varied ways. This area will need further development in the next grant effort.

Consumers Linked to Primary Health Services- Deb Kupfer has data from one state on the new and recommended question, and 7 states have sent data on similar questions. Ron asked that a general summary of this data be sent to him in preparation for a related meeting.

Contact within 7 Days- Data is available from six states and other states are still working on sending in reports; three states will be unable to report this indicator.

Supported Employment and Assertive Community Treatment- John McGrew has received some additional data but there has been no change in original results or final measure recommendations.

Children's Indicators- Molly Brunk: The workgroup has decided not to report data on the state pilots in the final report. They will be reporting on indicator recommendations and present the final instruments which have been developed. The pilot data gathered by states will be reported elsewhere at a later time. It was felt that this was data which was used to refine the instrument and would not reportable as state data. Workgroup members will also be meeting with the ECHO group in September, to come to some agreement on an integrated instrument. It was noted that there is some state data available on a statewide children's survey, such as from VT, but there remains a question of comparability. For the final report, the group decided to report an overview of the work that has been done, a listing of the states that are using the instruments, and the specific versions used.

Atypical Medications- Joslyn Letourneau is expecting data from three more states at this time. For 2000 data, 5 states have reported community data and 7 have reported hospital data. She is expecting 2001 data in the next 5 months.

This raised a question about the reporting of 2001 data. Some states have already submitted or are planning to submit 2001 data. This reporting will depend on the individual state fiscal year. Most 2001 data will be reported in the next cycle, but some may be reported in the March version of the final report.

Readmission within 30 days- Sudha Mehta has 2000 data but is hoping to get data for 98 and 99 for the final report. She will be contacting states soon.

Employment- Denny was not on the call and is on vacation; Olinda will ask him to send a report on the employment indicator.

Symptoms and Functioning- Mary Smith: Three states have submitted data and a two more are working on sending a report. Jack was hoping to have the analysis for the final report and he has been working on the data from CO. More data is needed for the analysis and whatever is received will be included in the March version.

Mortality- Craig Colton has 10 states who can report, one state is working on a report, and five states will not be able to provide a report. Nine states are matching with other databases and DC is using a combination of techniques.

Criminal Justice- Lucille Schacht has data from 2 states and is waiting for more reports on the prison indicator. She will be calling states soon to clarify definitions.

Living Situation and Supported Housing- Nancy Callahan will be arranging another conference call but is hoping for data from 10 states.

Cost- Nancy Callahan has data from 7 states and hopes to increase that to 10 for the September report.

Recovery- Vijay Ganju: some of the transcriptions from the focus groups are still being completed. For the final report, he will have some preliminary analysis which will be leading to the development of the instrument. Ron noted that the instrument will reflect more of the system's impact on recovery rather than self.

Substance Abuse- Jack Wackwitz will be sending an email to the workgroup members regarding a conference call to discuss the final report.

Consumer Survey- Judy Hall has received data from CT and will be getting data from UT soon. She will have data from 12 states on consumer assessment instruments.

There was a question asking if the 7 day contact indicator would include contact at a community residence program. It was felt that this would essentially an outpatient contact. This may be detailed further in the next cycle of grants.

Olinda will ask Bernadette Phalen to contact the group on the listserve to update on the hospital indicators.

Ron announced that the Block Grant Planners Conference would be held this weekend, and that there will be two data sessions regarding the the Uniform Data Reporting System. Attendees are invited to attend.

Conference Calls will be scheduled for Workgroup Chairpersons, the Data Presentation Committee, and a committee regarding grant transition.

The next conference call for the entire group is scheduled for **September 6, 2001 at 2:00 Eastern.**