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State Reform Grants for Assistance in State Mental Health Planning and Managed Care Reform Efforts

GRANT NUMBER: 1 HR1 SM51994-01

FUNDING PERIOD: September 30, 1996 - August 31, 1998

TOTAL ALLOCATION FOR FY 96: \$100,000

PROJECT SUMMARY

The State of Virginia has applied MHSIP Stage I and III grants in the past to support capacity development and decision support efforts in the mental health data system. The newly awarded State Reform Grant will support two pilot projects which will address the State's mental health services reform initiative. The first pilot will test the efficacy and impact of identifying "priority populations" and apply a case rate funding model for distributing funds for services to these populations. The second pilot will test a comprehensive system of performance and outcome measures in a region to guide current reform planning and state-wide implementation. The MHSIP Consumer-Oriented Mental Health Report Card will form the core set of measures for performance monitoring. One feature of the pilot is that use of consumers as data collectors will be conducted at one site. Also, evaluation of the POMS will include the input from consumers and family member focus groups held in both years of the grant.