



2000-2002 STATE HEALTH PLAN ANNUAL REPORT

VI. CONCLUSION

Overview: The final section presents thoughts and impressions regarding the State Health Plan implementation process and a listing of upcoming events.

Conclusion and Next Steps

The Authority is pleased to have the opportunity to work with the talented and diverse group involved with State Health Plan implementation. Although there is much work left to successfully achieve full implementation of the State Health Plan, the Authority has a high degree of optimism for such an outcome. The documents in this first Annual Report demonstrate a growing commitment to the process of State Health Plan implementation on the part of many members of the health care community. The Authority will aspire to sustain that level of commitment and hopefully surpass it in the coming months by supporting and guiding activities whenever and however possible. Below is a listing of many of the activities that will occur during the year.

Ongoing Activities

- Hold individual meetings with Lead Agencies on a rotating monthly basis to discuss issues related to policy implementation.
- Development and use of policy implementation performance measures.

Spring 2001 Activities

- Work to identify a few priority areas that coalesce with the new administration's goals for improvements in West Virginia's health care system and/or are of such significance as to be recommended by the SHAG to the Governor for inclusion in the administration's health agenda.
- Organize and prepare for a one-day Fall retreat regarding Lead Agencies' implementation needs.
- Begin work on the second State Health Plan Annual Report.

Summer 2001 Activities

- First Lead Agency Implementation Progress Reports outlining 2001 activities are due.
- Complete second State Health Plan Annual Report.
- Work on updating relevant State Health Plan information needed for implementation activities.

Fall 2001 Activities

- Retreat regarding Lead Agencies' implementation needs.
- Public distribution of the second State Health Plan Annual Report.
- Presentation of Lead Agency requests for funding and statutory changes to the Legislature by the Authority.