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for substance abuse. Such programs are aimed at educating and counseling individuals on such abuse and providing for activities to reduce the risk of such abuse.

Principal Agency is the single State agency responsible for planning, carrying out and evaluating activities to prevent and treat substance abuse and related activities.

Rural Area The definition of a rural area within a State shall be the latest definition of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

Secretary is the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Secretary's designee.

State, unless provided otherwise, includes the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, America Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands.

State Medical Director for Substance Abuse Services is a licensed physician with the knowledge, skill and ability to address the multiple physical and psychological problems associated with substance abuse, and who provides the principle agency with clinical consultation and direction regarding effective substance abuse treatment, effective primary medical care, effective infection control and public health and quality assurance.

Substance Abuse is defined to include the abuse or illicit use of alcohol or other drugs.

Tuberculosis Services means:

- (1) Counseling the individual with respect to tuberculosis;
- (2) Testing to determine whether the individual has been infected with mycobacteria tuberculosis to determine the appropriate form of treatment for the individual; and
- (3) Providing for or referring the individuals infected by mycobacteria tuberculosis for appropriate medical evaluation and treatment.

§ 96.122 Application content and procedures.

(a) For each fiscal year, beginning with fiscal year 1993, the State shall submit an application to such address

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as the Secretary determines is appropriate.

(b) For fiscal year 1993, applicants must submit an application containing information which conforms to the assurances listed under § 96.123, the report as provided in § 96.122(f), and the State plan as provided in § 96.122(g).

(c) Beginning fiscal year 1994, applicants shall only use standard application forms prescribed by the granting agency with the approval of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980. Applicants must follow all applicable instructions that bear OMB clearance numbers. The application will require the State to submit the assurances listed under § 96.123, the report as provided in § 96.122(f), and the State Plan as provided in § 96.122(g).

(d) The State shall submit the application for a block grant by the date prescribed by law. The annual report required under § 96.130(e) is not required to be submitted as part of the application, but must be submitted no later than December 31 of the fiscal year for which the State is seeking a grant. Grant awards will not be made without the report required under § 96.130(e).

(e) The funding agreements and assurances in the application shall be made through certification by the State's chief executive officer personally, or by an individual authorized to make such certification on behalf of the chief executive officer. When a delegation has occurred, a copy of the current delegation of authority must be submitted with the application.

(f) A report shall be submitted annually with the application and State Plan. Among other things, the report must contain information as determined by the Secretary to be necessary to determine the purposes and the activities of the State, for which the Block Grant was expended. The report shall include (but is not limited to) the following:

(1) For the fiscal year three years prior to the fiscal year for which the State is applying for funds:

(i) A statement of whether the State exercised its discretion under applicable law to transfer Block Grant funds from substance abuse services to mental health services or vice versa, and a

description of the transfers which were made;

(ii) A description of the progress made by the State in meeting the prevention and treatment goals, objectives and activities submitted in the application for the relevant year;

(iii) A description of the amounts expended under the Block Grant by the State agency, by activity;

(iv) A description of the amounts expended on primary prevention and early intervention activities (if reporting on fiscal years 1990, 1991, and 1992 only) and for primary prevention activities (if reporting on fiscal years 1993 and subsequent years);

(v) A description of the amounts expended for activities relating to substance abuse such as planning, coordination, needs assessment, quality assurance, training of counselors, program development, research and development and the development of information systems;

(vi) A description of the entities, their location, and the total amount the entity received from Block Grant funds with a description of the activities undertaken by the entity;

(vii) A description of the use of the State's revolving funds for establishment of group homes for recovering substance abusers, as provided by § 96.129, including the amount available in the fund throughout the fiscal year and the number and amount of loans made that fiscal year;

(viii) A detailed description of the State's programs for women and, in particular for pregnant women and women with dependent children, if reporting on fiscal years 1990, 1991, or 1992; and pregnant women or women with dependent children for fiscal year 1993 and subsequent fiscal years;

(ix) A detailed description of the State's programs for intravenous drug users; and

(x) For applications for fiscal year 1996 and subsequent fiscal years, a description of the State's expenditures for tuberculosis services and, if a designated State, early intervention services for HIV.

(2) For the most recent 12 month State expenditure period for which expenditure information is complete:

(i) A description of the amounts expended by the principal agency for substance abuse prevention and treatment activities, by activity and source of funds;

(ii) A description of substance abuse funding by other State agencies and offices, by activity and source of funds when available; and

(iii) A description of the types and amounts of substance abuse services purchased by the principal agency.

(3) For the fiscal year two years prior to the fiscal year for which the State is applying for funds:

(i) A description of the amounts obligated under the Block Grant by the principal agency, by activity;

(ii) A description of the amounts obligated for primary prevention and early intervention (if reporting on fiscal years 1990, 1991, and 1992 activities only) and primary prevention activities (if reporting on fiscal years 1993 and subsequent year activities);

(iii) A description of the entities to which Block Grant funds were obligated;

(iv) A description of the State's policies, procedures and laws regarding substance abuse prevention, especially the use of alcohol and tobacco products by minors;

(v) For applications for fiscal year 1995 and all subsequent fiscal years, a description of the State's procedures and activities undertaken to comply with the requirement to conduct independent peer review as provided by § 96.136;

(vi) For applications for fiscal year 1995 and all subsequent fiscal years, a description of the State's procedures and activities undertaken to comply with the requirement to develop capacity management and waiting list systems, as provided by §§ 96.126 and 96.131, as well as an evaluation summary of these activities; and

(vii) For applications for fiscal year 1995 and subsequent fiscal years, a description of the strategies used for monitoring program compliance with § 96.126(f), § 96.127(b), and § 96.131(f), as well as a description of the problems identified and the corrective actions taken.

(4) The aggregate State expenditures by the principle agency for authorized

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activities for the two State fiscal years preceding the fiscal year for which the State is applying for a grant, pursuant to § 96.134(d).

(5) For the previous fiscal year:

(i) A description of the State's progress in meeting the goals, objectives and activities included in the previous year's application, and a brief description of the recipients of the Block Grant funds;

(ii) A description of the methods used to calculate the following:

(A) The base for services to pregnant women and women with dependent children as required by § 96.124;

(B) The base for tuberculosis services as required for § 96.127; and

(C) For designated States, the base for HIV early intervention services as required by § 96.128;

(iii) For applications for fiscal years 1994 and 1995 only, a description of the State's progress in the development of protocols for and the implementation of tuberculosis services, and, if a designated State, early intervention services for HIV; and

(iv) For applications for fiscal year 1994 only, a description of the States progress in the development, implementation, and utilization of capacity management and waiting list systems.

(v) A description of the activities the State has undertaken to comply with 42 CFR part 54.

(6) For the first applicable fiscal year for which the State is applying for a grant, a copy of the statute enacting the law as described in § 96.130(b) and, for subsequent fiscal years for which the State is applying for a grant, any amendment to the law described in § 96.130(b).

(7) In addition to the information above, any information that the Secretary may, from time to time, require, consistent with the Paperwork Reduction Act.

(g) For each fiscal year, beginning fiscal year 1993, the State Plan shall be submitted to the Secretary and shall include the following:

(1) For fiscal years 1993 and 1994, a statement on whether the Governor intends to exercise discretion under applicable law to transfer Block Grant funds from the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant al-

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lotment under section 1921 of the PHS Act to the Community Mental Health Services Block Grant allotment under section 1911 of the PHS Act or vice versa and a description of the planned transfer;

(2) A budget of expenditures which provides an estimate of the use and distribution of Block Grant and other funds to be spent by the agency administering the Block Grant during the period covered by the application, by activity and source of funds;

(3) A description of how the State carries out planning, including how the State identifies substate areas with the greatest need, what process the State uses to facilitate public comment on the plan, and what criteria the State uses in deciding how to allocate Block Grant funds;

(4) A detailed description of the State procedures to monitor programs that reach 90% capacity pursuant to § 96.126(a);

(5) A detailed description of the State procedures to implement the 14/120 day requirement provided by § 96.126(b) as well as the interim services to be provided and a description of the strategies to be used in monitoring program compliance in accordance with § 96.126(f);

(6) A full description of the outreach efforts States will require entities which receive funds to provide pursuant to § 96.126(e);

(7) A detailed description of the State procedures implementing TB services pursuant to § 96.127, and a description of the strategies to be used in monitoring program compliance in accordance with § 96.127(b);

(8) A detailed description of the State's procedures implementing HIV services pursuant to § 96.128, if considered a designated State;

(9) A description of estimates of non-Federal dollars to be spent for early intervention services relating to HIV, if a designated State, and tuberculosis services for the fiscal year covered by the application, as well as the amounts actually spent for such services for the two previous fiscal years;

(10) For fiscal year 1993, a detailed description of the State's revolving fund for establishment of group homes for recovering substance abusers pursuant

to §96.129 and, for subsequent years, any revisions to the program;

(11) A detailed description of State procedures implementing §96.131 relating to treatment services for pregnant women;

(12) Unless waived, a description on how the State will improve the process for referrals for treatment, will ensure that continuing education is provided, and will coordinate various activities and services as provided by §96.132;

(13) Statewide assessment of needs as provided in §96.133;

(14) The aggregate State dollar projected expenditures by the principal agency of a State for authorized activities for the fiscal year for which the Block Grant is to be expended, as well as the aggregate obligations or expenditures, when available, for authorized activities for the two years prior to such fiscal year as required by §96.134;

(15) Unless waived, a description of the services and activities to be provided by the State with Block Grant funds consistent with §96.124 for allocations to be spent on services to pregnant women and women with dependent children, alcohol and other drug treatment and prevention, including primary prevention, and any other requirement;

(16) A description of the State procedures to implement §96.132(e) regarding inappropriate disclosure of patient records;

(17) A description of the amounts to be spent for primary prevention in accordance with §96.125;

(18) A description of the amounts to be spent on activities relating to substance abuse such as planning coordination, needs assessment, quality assurance, training of counselors, program development, research and development and the development of information systems;

(19) A description of the State plans regarding purchasing substance abuse services;

(20) A description of how the State intends to monitor and evaluate the performance of substance abuse service providers in accordance with §96.136;

(21) A description of the State's overall goals for Block Grant expenditures, specific objectives under each goal, and

the activities the State will carry out to achieve these objectives; and

(22) Such other information as the Secretary may, from time to time, require, consistent with the Paperwork Reduction Act.

(h) The Secretary will approve an application which includes the assurances, the State plan and the report that satisfies the requirements of this part and the relevant sections of the PHS Act. As indicated above, the State is required to provide descriptions of the State's procedures to implement the provisions of the Act and the regulations. Unless provided otherwise by these regulations, the Secretary will approve procedures which are provided as examples in the regulations, or the State may submit other procedures which the Secretary determines to reasonably implement the requirements of the Act.

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§ 96.123 Assurances.

(a) The application must include assurances that:

(1) the State will expend the Block Grant in accordance with the percentage to be allocated to treatment, prevention, and other activities as prescribed by law and, also, for the purposes prescribed by law;

(2) The activities relating to intravenous drug use pursuant to §96.126 will be carried out;

(3) The TB services and referral will be carried out pursuant to §96.127, as well as the early intervention services for HIV provided for in §96.128, if a designated State;

(4) The revolving funds to establish group homes for recovering substance abusers is in place consistent with the provisions of §96.129 and the loans will be made and used as provided for by law;

(5) The State has a law in effect making it illegal to sell or distribute tobacco products to minors as provided in §96.130(b), will conduct annual, unannounced inspections as prescribed in §96.130, will enforce such law in a manner that can reasonably be expected to reduce the extent to which tobacco