INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairpersons, State Planning Councils
   Executive Directors, State Planning Councils
   Directors, State Administering Agencies

SUBJECT: Two Year Transitional State Plan for the Basic
         State Grant Program - Fiscal Year 1990-1991

LEGAL AND RELATED REFERENCES: Public Law 100-146 Developmental Disabilities
                               Assistance and Bill of Rights Act Amendments of
                               1987 (The Act)
                               45 CFR Parts 1385, 1386, 1387 and 1388
                               Developmental Disabilities Final Rules.

CONTENT: Information memorandum on the justification and
          scope of a one-time Two Year State Plan
          requirement.

DISCUSSION: The purpose of this memorandum is to provide
             advance notice of a one-time modification in the
             Basic State Grant State Plan Requirement. This
             administrative change reflects the significance of
             the substantial and extraordinary review and
             analysis activity required by the provisions of
             Section 122(f) of the Act; and provides sufficient
             opportunity to States to utilize the findings and
             conclusions of the special one-time State Planning
             Council Final Report to be prepared and submitted
             to the Governor and the legislature of the State
             by January 1, 1990 as required by Section
             122(f)(4) of the Act.

Therefore, the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) shall issue a one-time only set
of Two Year Transitional State Plan Guidelines to assist States in the preparation of the Two Year
Transitional State Plan for the Fiscal Years 1990-1991). These optional Guidelines will be
narrow in scope, and will reflect the minimum amount of information needed to comply with the
requirements of Section 122(b)(2).
The Two Year Transitional State Plan Guidelines will be made available to States by October 15, 1988. The Two Year State Plan, for Fiscal Years 1990-1991 shall be due in the Regional Offices by August 15, 1989.

Following the anticipated reauthorization of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act in early Fiscal Year 1991, ADD will issue new Three Year State Plan Guidelines for the Fiscal Years 1992-1994 that will incorporate whatever changes may result from the anticipated reauthorization of the statute.

What we hope to emerge from this transition period is an opportunity for States to thoughtfully assess and prepare a plan to modify the existing State service delivery system relative to services provided to persons with developmental disabilities and to reflect in a new Three Year State Plan those actions and activities proposed to strengthen and make more responsive the provision of services to all persons with developmental disabilities within the State.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Date of Issuance

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