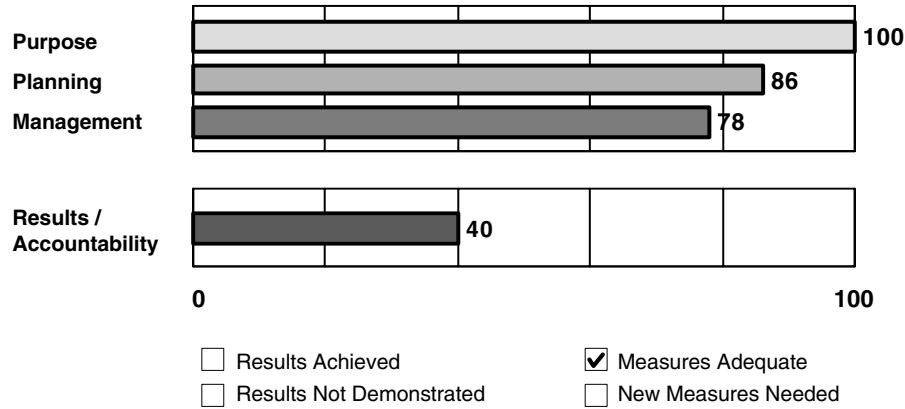


Program: Health Alert Network

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services

Bureau: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Key Performance Measures

Year Target Actual

Long-term Measure: Percent of State/Local public health jurisdictions with: (1) high speed, continuous internet; (2) 24/7 broadcast capability to local public health officials and key partners; and (3) distance learning infrastructure (New measure)	2002	baseline	68
	2005	100	
Annual Measure: Percent of HAN grantees are (1) served by a Center for Public Health Preparedness (CPHP) and (2) hold all CDC required certifications Actual performance was 30% in 2002. (New measure)	2003	50/10	
	2004	80/25	
	2005	90/40	
	2006	100	
Annual Measure: Percent of (1) state and (2) local public health agencies to whom CDC is able to transmit health alerts on a 24/7 basis, within 30 minutes of notification that an alert must be transmitted (New measure)	2002	100/60	100/60
	2003	100/80	
	2004	100	

Rating: Adequate

Program Type: Competitive Grants

Program Summary:

The Health Alert Network is an information network for early warning and response against bioterrorism and other public health threats. CDC provides grants to state public health departments, which provide resources for hardware and staff to ensure rapid exchange of information between local, state and federal public health agencies in the event of an emergency.

Findings from the PART assessment include the following:

1. While CDC has shown progress toward previous output measures, CDC is refining existing goals into better outcome measures for 2004, and therefore cannot yet show significant progress toward these new standards.
2. There were minor deficiencies identified in the management area, including a CDC-wide issue on financial management, and the fact that reports were not available to demonstrate the timeliness of obligations. Otherwise, management of this program is above average.
3. CDC has gone to great lengths to ensure that their grantees are aware of and working to attain the larger strategic goals. Good progress has been made toward previous output goals. However, since new goals with an increased focus on outcomes were established, grantee progress toward these new goals cannot yet be demonstrated.
4. The purpose of the program is clear.

In response to these findings, the Budget proposes:

1. Continued funding at the 2003 Budget level, which is a large increase from the 2001 level.
2. Increased funding for CDC's Public Health Information Network (PHIN) initiative, that will coordinate and establish interoperability between all CDC public health information activities (including HAN, NEDSS, Epi-X, PulseNet and other).

Program Funding Level (in millions of dollars)

<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Estimate</u>	<u>2004 Estimate</u>
183	183	183