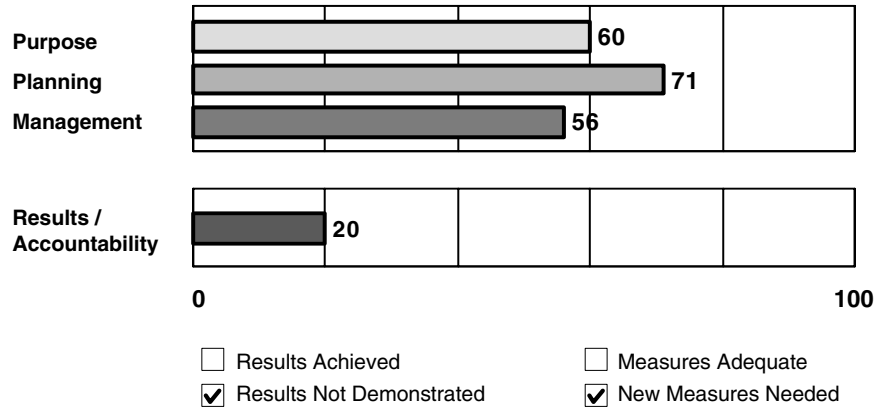


Program: Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

Agency: Department of Justice

Bureau: Office of Justice Programs



Key Performance Measures

Year Target Actual

Long-term Measures: Percentage of treated offenders arrested within one year of release (target and actual data under development)			
Annual Measure: Average treatment cost per inmate	2001	N/A	4317
	2002	4665	
	2003	4665	
	2004	4665	
Annual Measure: Number of state and local offenders treated annually by RSAT-funded programs	2001	7,293	10,546
	2002	4,375	38,639
	2003	40,000	
	2004	40,000	

Rating: Results Not Demonstrated

Program Type: Block / Formula Grants

Program Summary:

The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) grant program assists state and local governments in developing, implementing, and providing residential substance abuse treatment programs within their correctional systems. The ultimate goal of prison drug treatment is to reduce recidivism among participating inmates and facilities.

The assessment indicates that actually measuring recidivism has been hindered by the failure of nearly half of grantees to provide consistent, reliable program data. The generally poor quality of RSAT grantee performance data makes it difficult to ascertain how many prisoners are treated annually, not to mention the outcomes of such treatment. Additional findings include:

1. Establishing a clear linkage between funding and performance has been complicated by highly variable treatment costs among grantees, so that a given level of funding will have different impact in each state. This is in contrast to treatment programs in the Federal Bureau of Prisons, which have a much lower per inmate cost.
2. There have been few independent evaluations of either RSAT grantees or the overall program.

In response to these findings, the agency will:

1. Institute changes to improve the quality of grantee performance data.
2. Develop a simplified model for estimating grantees' enrollment and treatment costs.
3. Develop long-term goals for reducing recidivism among funded programs.

Program Funding Level (in millions of dollars)

<u>2002 Actual</u>	<u>2003 Estimate</u>	<u>2004 Estimate</u>
70	77	76