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INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

TO : Chairpersons, State Developmental Disabilities Councils
Directors, State Developmental Disabilities Councils

SUBJECT : Use of Part B Funds in Funding Time-Limited Demonstration and Other Projects

LEGAL AND RELATED REFERENCES :

Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act Amendments of 1994, Public Law 103-230 (the Act)

BACKGROUND : State Developmental Disabilities Councils may implement their State plans through a variety of systemic change, capacity building, and advocacy activities which may include demonstration and/or other projects. The purpose of this memorandum is to assist Councils in distinguishing between time-limited demonstration projects and other projects which may be supported on a longer-term basis with Part B funds.

INFORMATION: The State Plan may provide for funding of projects to demonstrate new approaches to enhance the independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion of individuals with developmental disabilities. Demonstration projects are typically innovative and easily replicated, are not to exceed three years in duration, and should include strategies for securing funds for continuing the project from sources other than funds received under the Act.

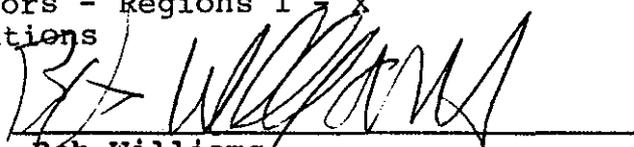
In addition, the State Plan may provide for funding of a broader range of projects such as studies, evaluations, outreach, advocacy and self-advocacy, training, community support, public education, prevention, and other activities. These need not be time limited. Based on their intended purposes longer periods of time may be required to achieve desired results. For example, "Partners In Policymaking" and similar self-advocacy projects build the capacity of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Were they to be time-limited, only a few individuals and families would benefit. In order to extend to increasing numbers of individuals and families, these projects may be funded over longer periods of time.

Whenever possible, Councils are encouraged to seek shared funding from University Affiliated Programs and Protection and Advocacy Systems and from sources other than the Act for such ongoing activities.

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