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REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES  
UNDER THE TRIENNIAL REVIEW SYSTEM

Under the triennial review system, each Regional Medical Program normally will be reviewed by the National Advisory Council only once each three years. The triennial review serves to recognize the Region as an "accredited" organization and to set a general level of annual support for the three year period. Thus, the Council's favorable recommendation constitutes a time-limited approval for an RMP as an organization having recognized capabilities, rather than being approval for a specific set of activities. In addition to recommending the general level of support, Council actions on individual applications may include advice to the applicant Regional Medical Program, or specific conditions for the grant. Prior to review by the Council, each triennial application will be reviewed by assigned RMPS staff, a site visit team and the RMPS Review Committee.

Except as specified below, the Director, RMPS, will make continuation awards, including support for new activities, for second and third (02 and 03) year support without further Council action insofar as the proposed activities are consistent with relevant policies. The Council will be provided with a summary of such awards. Specifically, the Council's advice will be sought when:

1. Supplementary funds are requested in addition to the general support recommended for the year in question.
2. A new or increased Developmental Component is requested.
3. The Council, the Director, RMPS, or the Region requests Council review.
4. The applicant has failed in a material respect to meet the requirements of the Program or applicable laws, regulations or formally promulgated policies of the Department, HSMHA or RMPS.

The summary to be provided to the Council will include the following information concerning each Region reviewed by staff for continuation support:

1. The amount previously recommended by the Council for funding, and the amount awarded.
2. A list of activities supported during the most recent grant year, identifying those which have been completed and those which have been supported through a developmental component.

3. A summary of the Region's response to any advice specified by the Council or limitations upon or conditions of the award.
4. A summary of any outstanding accomplishments.
5. A summary of any outstanding problems.
6. Annual reports from the Regional Advisory Group and from RMPS staff. (These will be made available on request by the Council.)