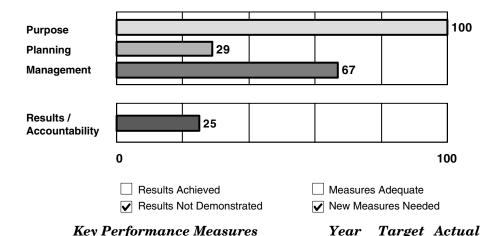
Program: State and Community-Based Services Programs on Aging

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services

Bureau: Administration on Aging



Long-term Measure: Rate of non-AoA funds leveraged to each \$1.00 of	2000	\$1.50	\$1.90
program funding (Targets under development)	2001		
	2002		
	2003		
Annual Measure: Measure under development			
Efficiency Measure: Measure under development			

Rating: Results Not Demonstrated

Program Type: Block/Formula Grants

Program Summary:

The Administration on Aging (AoA) attempts to enable elderly people to remain in their homes and communities. These programs and services include such activities as meals in community settings and home-delivered, preventive health care, senior centers and support of family caregivers.

The assessment indicates that the overall program has a clear purpose, addresses a specific need, and is effectively designed. However, performance measurement should be strengthened. Findings include:

- 1. There is a lack of focus on program outcomes in performance measures. The proposed annual targets maintain current performance rather than support long-term improvements. For example, while AoA encourages states to leverage funds from non-federal sources, the 2004 target is \$1.90 to \$1.00, the same level that has been achieved since 1998.
- 2. While AoA monitors the financial performance of grantees, it does not actively promote efficiencies, utilize full cost accounting or proactively identify management deficiencies.
- 3. State and local entities have a great deal of flexibility in designing the programs and leveraging funds. Therefore, grantees cannot be required to adopt AoA's goals and measures, and it is difficult to determine how changes in federal funding may affect program performance.
- 4. The most recent program evaluation indicated positive outcomes are achieved. However, AoA's annual performance plans do not track or measure these outcomes. Performance measures and targets should be revised to reflect and improve these outcomes.

In response to these findings, the Administration will work with AoA to reevaluate its performance measures to reflect program outcomes, and to develop appropriate performance targets.

Program Funding Level (in millions of dollars)

2002 Actual	2003 Estimate	2004 Estimate
1,200	1,341	1,344