

Performance Measures and Outcomes for MCHB Programs

Client: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services,
Health Resources and Services Administration

Overview

The Office of Management and Budget developed the Performance Assistance Rating Tool—known as PART—to assess the performance of all Government programs once every 5 years. For the Health Resources and Services Administration’s Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), Insight developed PART long-term and annual performance measures and efficiency measures for five new MCHB programs:

- Traumatic Brain Injury Program
- Emergency Medical Services for Children
- Family-to-Family Health Information Centers
- Sickle Cell Disease Treatment Demonstration Program
- Combating Autism Act Initiative

For this project, Insight—

- Reviewed program-level information, including similar programs’ performance measures, to determine the goals and objectives of each program, funding amounts, and types of grantees
- Conducted semistructured, in-person interviews with program directors to discuss their needs, priorities, and perspectives regarding the development and implementation of new measures



- Developed potential annual measures, long-term performance measures, and efficiency measures for each program
- Identified measures that were meaningful and relevant, clear and quantifiable, measurable, and cost-effective
- Identified program data and other outside data sources available for computing the measures (e.g., Title V Information System, Discretionary Grant Information System, program administrative data, annual surveys)
- Delivered a report and presentation on proposed measure

Products

Final report, *Potential PART Measures for MCHB Programs* (November 2008)