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- Photo reduction or condensation of type cannot be closer than 15 characters per inch or 6 lines per inch.

- Pages cannot have printing on both sides.

- Page limitations specified for the Project Narrative (25 pages) and Appendices 1, 3, and 4 (30 pages) cannot be exceeded.

- Information provided must be sufficient for review.

- Applications must be received by the application deadline. Applications received after this date must have a proof of mailing date from the carrier dated at least 1 week prior to the due date. Private metered postmarks are not acceptable as proof of timely mailing. Applications not received by the application deadline or postmarked a week prior to the application deadline will not be reviewed.

- Applications that do not comply with the following requirements and any additional program requirements specified in the NOFA, or are otherwise unresponsive to PA guidelines, will be screened out and returned to the applicant without review:

- Provisions relating to confidentiality, participant protection and the protection of human subjects specified in Section VIII-A of this document.

- Budgetary limitations as specified in Sections I, II and IV-E of this document.

- Documentation of nonprofit status as required in the PHS 5161-1.

To facilitate review of your application, follow these additional guidelines. Failure to follow these guidelines will not result in your application being screened out. However, following these guidelines will help reviewers to consider your application.

- Please use black ink and number pages consecutively from beginning to end so that information can be located easily during review of the application. The cover page should be page 1, the abstract page should be page 2, and the table of contents page should be page 3. Appendices should be labeled and separated from the Project Narrative and budget section, and the pages should be numbered to continue the sequence.

- Send the original application and two copies to the mailing address in the PA. Please do not use staples, paper clips, and fasteners. Nothing should be attached, stapled, folded, or pasted. Do not use any material that cannot be copied using automatic copying machines. Odd-sized and oversized attachments such as posters will not be

copied or sent to reviewers. Do not include videotapes, audiotapes, or CD-ROMs.

Award Administration: Award information, including information about award notices, administrative requirements and reporting requirements, is included in the INF-04 PA.

Contact for Additional Information: Elizabeth Sweet, SAMHSA/CMHS, Child, Adolescent and Family Branch, Center for Mental Health Services, 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 11C-16, Rockville, MD 20857; 301-443-1333; E-mail: esweet@samhsa.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 Funding Opportunity

ACTION: Notice of funding availability for Statewide Consumer Network Grants.

Authority: Section 520 A of the Public Health Service Act, as amended and subject to the availability of funds.

SUMMARY: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), announces the availability of FY 2004 funds for Statewide Consumer Network Grants. A synopsis of this funding opportunity, as well as many other Federal Government funding opportunities, is also available at the Internet site: <http://www.grants.gov>.

For complete instructions, potential applicants must obtain a copy of the standard Infrastructure Grants Program Announcement (INF-04 PA), and the PHS 5161-1 (Rev. 7/00) application form before preparing and submitting an application. The INF-04 PA describes the general program design and provides instructions for applying for all SAMHSA Infrastructure Grants, including Statewide Consumer Network Grants. Additional instructions and requirements specific to Statewide Consumer Network Grants are described below.

Funding Opportunity Title: Statewide Consumer Network Grants (Short Title: Statewide Consumer Networks).

Announcement Type: Initial.

Funding Opportunity Number: SM 04-003.

Catalog of Federal Domestic

Assistance (CFDA) Number: 93.243.

Due Date for Applications: February 25, 2004.

You will be notified by postal mail that your application has been received.

[NOTE: Letters from State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) in response to E.O. 12372 are due April 25, 2004.]

Funding Instrument: Grant.

Funding Opportunity Description:

The Statewide Consumer Networks program is one of SAMHSA's Infrastructure Grants programs. SAMHSA's Infrastructure Grants provide funds to increase the capacity of mental health and/or substance abuse service systems to support programs and services. SAMHSA's Infrastructure Grants are intended for applicants seeking Federal support to develop or enhance their service system infrastructure in order to support effective substance abuse and/or mental health service delivery. Statewide Consumer Network Grants are intended for applicants seeking Federal support to act as "Agents of Transformation" in developing or enhancing their service system infrastructure in order to support effective substance abuse and/or mental health service delivery which is consumer driven. The Statewide Consumer Network Grant Program is a critical part of the SAMHSA/CMHS efforts to implement the recommendations of the Final Report of the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health.

The purpose of the Statewide Consumer Networks program is to enhance State capacity and infrastructure to be consumer-centered and targeted toward recovery and resiliency and consumer-driven by promoting the use of consumers as agents of transformation. The program goals are to (1) strengthen organizational relationships; (2) promote skill development with an emphasis on leadership and business management; and (3) identify technical assistance needs of consumers and provide training and support to ensure that they are the catalysts for transforming the mental health and related systems in their State. To achieve this goal, the program assists consumer organizations around the country to work with policymakers and services providers to improve services for consumers with a serious mental illness. The Program is designed to strengthen coalitions among consumers, policymakers and service providers, recognizing that the