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The Honorable John Huppenthal, Chair
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

The Honorable Robert Blendu, Vice Chair
Joint Legislative Audit Committee

Dear Senator Huppenthal and Representative Blendu:

Our Office has recently completed a 12-month followup of the HB2003 Children's Behavioral Health Services Monies regarding the implementation status of the 5 audit recommendations (including sub-parts of the recommendations) presented in the performance audit report released in December 2002 (Auditor General Report No. 02-12). As the attached grid indicates:

- 4 of the 5 recommendations have been implemented; and
- 1 recommendation is in the process of being implemented.

Our Office will continue to followup at 6-month intervals with the Department of Health Services on the status of those recommendations that have not yet been fully implemented.

Sincerely,

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Auditor General

Attachment

cc: Ms. Catherine R. Eden, Ph.D., Director
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HB2003 Children's Behavioral Health Services Monies
12-Month Follow-Up Report To
Auditor General Report No. 02-12

FINDING I: Enrollment and Services Increasing after Slow Start

Recommendation	Status of Implementing Recommendation	Explanation for Recommendations That Have Not Been Implemented
1. This finding provides information only. Therefore, no recommendations are presented.		

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FINDING II: The Division Should Continue Efforts To Ensure State-wide Training on Its New System

Recommendation	Status of Implementing Recommendation	Explanation for Recommendations That Have Not Been Implemented
1. The Division should continue its plans to use training kits and ensure that the RBHAs continue to develop internal training capacity and provide supervisory training.	Implemented at 12 months	
2. The Division should ensure that RBHA training plans include tasks, time frames, and other elements necessary for achieving timely training throughout the State.	Implemented at 6 months	
3. The Division and the RBHAs should continue to invite other agency representatives to training. Specifically: a. The Division should continue to work with the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Departments of Juvenile Corrections, Economic Security, and Education to encourage them to send representatives to the training. b. The RBHAs should continue to work with counterparts of these agencies and county probation offices to encourage them to send representatives to the training.	Implemented at 6 months Implemented at 6 months	

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FINDING III: The Division Can Further Foster Interagency Collaboration

Recommendation	Status of Implementing Recommendation	Explanation for Recommendations That Have Not Been Implemented
1. The Division, in partnership with the directors of other child-serving agencies, should assess the effectiveness of interagency teams and other mechanisms available for collaboration and encourage the adoption of county- or regional-level interagency agreements aimed at stronger collaboration.	Implementation in Process	