

LOOKING AHEAD

During the past two decades, Missouri state agencies have annually prepared a variety of substance abuse related data specifically to submit to the Status Report. Federal funding recently became available to convene the Missouri Behavioral Health Epidemiology Workgroup (MO-BHEW) and further develop the state's infrastructure of substance abuse, mental health, and other behavioral health data. The MO-BHEW has provided guidance in the development of a web tool to provide public access to archived and future Status Report data. Users will be able to view trends and conduct basic data analysis to meet their specific needs. The website will include the state agency data, Census Bureau population estimates, prevalence data from the Missouri Student Survey, and U.S. and Missouri data from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health. The web tool will be accessible from the MO-BHEW home page. Visit <http://dmh.mo.gov/ada/mobhew/index.htm>.