

Mississippi's Demonstration  
to  
Maintain Independence  
and  
Employment

Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Act of 1999

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# DOM Applies for Funding



- Mississippi Legislative 2000 Regular Session, House Bill 1054, authorized DOM to apply for funds under Section 204 of the TWWIIA of 1999 and allow for implementation of the DMIE

# Which Potentially Disabling Disease to Cover?



- Hypertension
- Diabetes
- **HIV/AIDS**
  - Submitted Proposal to Cover **HIV/AIDS** in August 2000

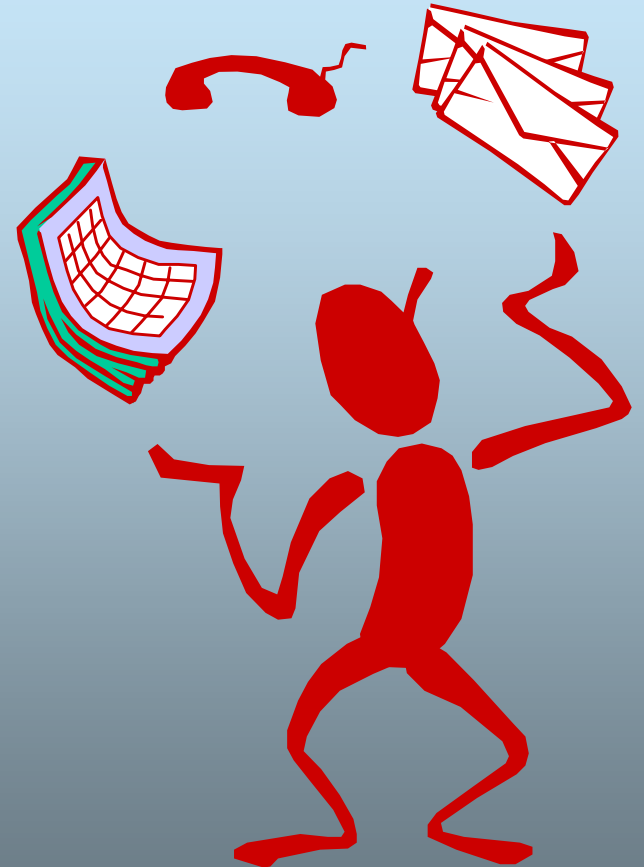
# Mississippi Awarded Funding!



- Received Award Notice 10/00
- Notification of Acceptance
- Special Terms & Conditions

# Putting it Together

- Collaborators/Contracts/MOUs
- Implementation Plan
- Approval of Plan
- Evaluation



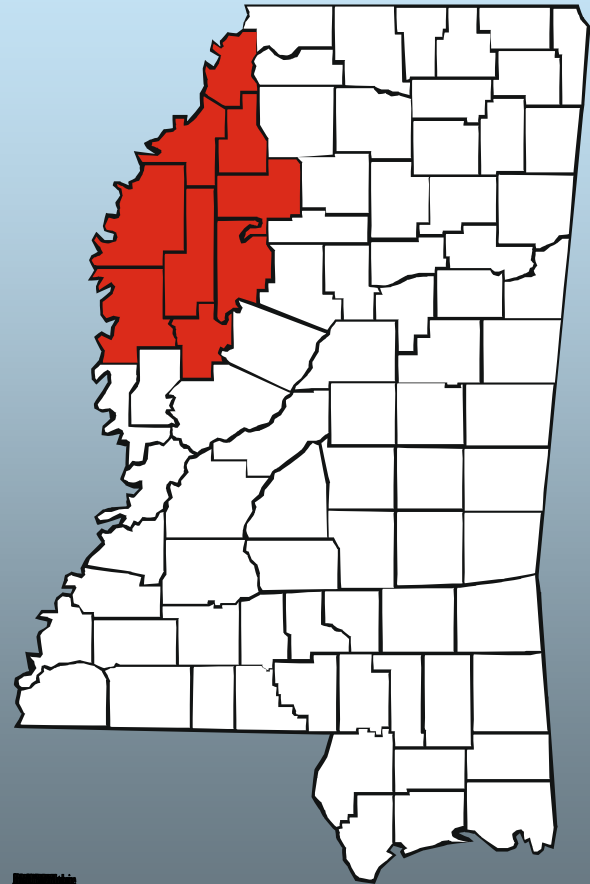
# Enroll up to 500 with HIV disease



- Not disabled
- Age 16-64
- Working/Employed - 40 hr/mo
- Meet Income Requirements
- Live in a demo county
- Not incarcerated
- Not enrolled in Ryan White Title II

# Demonstration Counties

- Bolivar
- Coahoma
- Humphreys
- Leflore
- Quitman
- Sunflower
- Tallahatchie
- Tunica
- Washington



# Services/Benefits



- Regular Medicaid Benefits
- Case management services

# Expected Outcome



- Early access to Medicaid benefits and case management will enable individuals with HIV disease to continue to work, maintain physical and mental health and delay the onset of disability.

# Suggestions

- Be innovative
- Collaborate and collaborate some more
- Send the right message with the right messenger
- Think outside of the box
- Never assume anything
- Get tried, but never give up!

*“When Spider Webs Unite,  
They Can Tie Up the Loin”*

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