

SEAMO NEWSLETTER

2001 November 15

Accountability

At the 2001 Nov 12 of the SEAMO Governing Committee, Governors discussed developing the accountability framework. Under the Chairmanship of Peter Glynn, the Accountability Advisory Committee is continuing to pursue an aggressive time line for developing an internal accountability framework.

Following completion of consultations with approximately 60 individuals, and working with the Council of Clinical Heads, the Accountability Advisory Committee and SEAMO's Information Officer are working with departments to establish role descriptions of departments, divisions and programs, and to establish goals and objectives for these departments, divisions and programs.

At the last meeting of the Council of Clinical Heads, Heads agreed to work with the Advisory Committee to prepare their role descriptions for discussion by the Council of Clinical Heads. It was agreed that the Council of Clinical Heads would "sign off" on all departmental role descriptions.

Annual Plan

The new funding agreement requires that SEAMO submit an Annual Plan to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care by 2001 Nov 15.

There are two principle components to the Annual Plan. In the first, SEAMO must provide its objectives for fiscal year 2000-2001 and a statement of SEAMO's accomplishments against these objectives. The second main component is a statement of SEAMO's objectives for the fiscal year 2001-2002.

Submission to the Ministry of the Annual Plan by the 2001 Nov 15 due date will result in an annual funding increase to SEAMO of \$1.4 million. This amount is the remaining amount in the academic enhancement funding negotiated with the Ministry.

The completed Annual Plan has been provided to all Department Heads, SEAMO Governors and SEAMO Signatories.

Year End Surplus

SEAMO CEO David Walker announced that it is possible that SEAMO will complete the year with a small surplus. In order to plan for the possibility, the CEO is currently consulting with the SEAMO Finance Committee and with the Executive of the Clinical Teachers' Association of Queen's University. Following these consultations, Walker will develop a draft policy to deal with a potential year end surplus. This policy will be submitted to Governors for consideration.

SEAMO annual reporting requirements under the funding agreement were met on 2001 Nov 15. A copy of the Annual Plan 2000-2001 may be obtained from your Department Head.

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