

# NEEDS ASSESSMENT

## Shared task with Planning Council as lead

- **Planning Council has primary responsibility and “ownership”**—design, direct work or oversight of consultants or volunteers
- Grantee provides support—data, procurement if a consultant is needed, staff assistance
- Need active community involvement—especially consumers and providers
- Need multi-year plan for assessing needs of PLWHA in and out of care
- Findings go in user-friendly formats as input to decision making, **especially priority setting and resource allocation**

## NEEDS ASSESSMENT (CONT.)

HRSA requires that Needs Assessments include:

- Epidemiologic profile
- Assessment of service needs
- Resource inventory
- Profiles of Provider Capacity and Capability
- Estimation and assessment of unmet need