B. Publications

Many U.S. Office of Education publications can contribute to the effectiveness of the State Title II program. New bulletins will be announced regularly through <u>American</u> <u>Education</u>, the Office of Education journal.

C. Title II Program Reviews

Section 117.34 of the Title II Regulations requires the Commissioner to conduct periodic reviews of the administration of programs under Title II of the Act in order to assist the State agency in adhering to statutory requirements and to the substantive legal administrative provisions of its approved State plan.

In order to satisfy this obligation and to serve all States which participate in Title II, the Office of Education will conduct periodic program reviews. At least once annually, staff members from the Division of Plans and Supplementary Centers will visit each State to discuss all aspects of the program with the Title II staff.

Purpose

The program review has several purposes:

- . To review the State's Title II program as it relates to the improvement of educational quality in elementary and secondary schools:
- . To identify ways of increasing the effectiveness of Title II;
- To identify and help overcome obstacles to the achievement of the aims of Title II (This involves a review of current practices in light of the State plan);
- . To assist in interpreting the Title II Regulations;
- . To clarify and improve reporting procedures, especially the relationship of the <u>Description of Projected Activities to the Annual Report</u>;
- . To improve communication between the Title II staff of the State and the Office of Education as well as among all persons working on Title II;