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**A. INTRODUCTION****i. Objectives**

As last year, this report aims to cover a number of objectives:

- \* To account to the Department of Health for progress in the evolution of clinical audit in enhancing and improving patient care and outcome. (EL(93)34).
  
- \* To inform interested parties within the South Western Region and now, the South and West Region, of how the money has been spent and what is emerging from it.
  
- \* To detail some of the issues currently faced by the acute, community, mental health, primary care and purchasing organisations in fostering and developing clinical audit.
  
- \* To acknowledge some of the greater achievements of audit within the South Western Region from 1993/94.