

## 6. PURPOSES OF THE ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE STUDY

1. Typically in Washington, research on state-local implementation refers to studying what state and local governments do by way of enabling legislation and rules to carry out national policies.
2. This is not what we are doing.
3. The Rockefeller Institute implementation study focused in round one on key elements of state and local management systems to carry out the policies states and localities have adopted to reform welfare. This includes asking our field researchers to find out —
  - ▶ What agencies are supposed to carry out state and local policies and how are they structured.
  - ▶ How much money and staff are devoted to their missions and how are they deployed.
  - ▶ What management strategies were adopted to administer or contract for services and how service deliverers are held accountability, if at all.
  - ▶ What kinds of information is available to know what these programs are doing and to track applicants and participants in order to link services and improve the efficiency of service delivery.