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H. R. 4323

To expand the Medicaid certified community behavioral health clinic demonstration program and to authorize funding for additional grants to certified community behavioral health clinics.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 1, 2021

Ms. MATSUI (for herself, Mr. MULLIN, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. FITZPATRICK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Excellence in Mental
5 Health and Addiction Treatment Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXPANSION OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH**
2 **SERVICES DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.**

3 Section 223 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act
4 of 2014 (42 U.S.C. 1396a note) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the
6 following new paragraph:

7 “(3) **PLANNING GRANTS FOR ADDITIONAL**
8 **STATES.**—In addition to the planning grants award-
9 ed under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall award
10 planning grants to States (other than States selected
11 to conduct demonstration programs under para-
12 graphs (1) or (8) of subsection (d)) for the purpose
13 of developing proposals to participate in time-limited
14 demonstration programs described in subsection
15 (d).”;

16 (2) in subsection (d)—

17 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “Subject
18 to paragraph (8)” and inserting “Subject to
19 paragraphs (8) and (9)”;

20 (B) in paragraph (5)(C)(iii)(II), by insert-
21 ing “or paragraph (9)” after “paragraph (8)”;

22 (C) in paragraph (7)—

23 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
24 “through the year in which the last dem-
25 onstration under this section ends” after
26 “annually thereafter”;

1 (ii) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (I) by striking “December 31,
3 2021” and inserting “September 30,
4 2023”; and

5 (II) by adding at the end the fol-
6 lowing new sentence: “Such rec-
7 ommendations shall include data col-
8 lected after 2019.”; and

9 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing new subparagraph:

11 “(C) FINAL EVALUATION.—Not later than
12 18 months after all demonstration programs
13 under this section have ended, the Secretary
14 shall submit to Congress a final evaluation of
15 such programs.”; and

16 (D) by adding at the end the following new
17 paragraph:

18 “(9) FURTHER ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS.—In
19 addition to the States selected under paragraphs (1)
20 and (8), the Secretary shall select any State that
21 submits an application that includes such informa-
22 tion as the Secretary shall require to conduct a dem-
23 onstration program that meets the requirements of
24 paragraph (2) and paragraphs (4) through (7) for 2

1 years or through September 30, 2023, whichever is
2 longer.”; and

3 (3) in subsection (f)(1)(B), by inserting “, and
4 \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2021” before the period.

5 **SEC. 3. CERTIFIED COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
6 **CLINIC EXPANSION GRANTS.**

7 Part D of title V of the Public Health Service Act
8 (42 U.S.C. 290dd et seq.) is amended by adding at the
9 end the following:

10 **“SEC. 553. CERTIFIED COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
11 **CLINIC EXPANSION GRANTS.**

12 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Assistant Secretary shall
13 award grants to communities and community organiza-
14 tions that meet the criteria for certified community behav-
15 ioral health clinics under section 223(a) of the Protecting
16 Access to Medicare Act A of 2014. Grants awarded under
17 this subsection shall be for a period of not more than 5
18 years.

19 “(b) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Assistant Sec-
20 retary may provide appropriate information, training, and
21 technical assistance through appropriate contract proce-
22 dures to entities receiving grants under subsection (a), or
23 to health or social service providers pursuing certified
24 community behavioral health clinics status or partnering
25 with certified community behavioral health clinics, State

1 policymakers considering certified community behavioral
2 health clinics implementation under the Medicaid pro-
3 gram, and other stakeholders to facilitate successful imple-
4 mentation of the certification model.

5 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

6 “(1) GRANT PROGRAM.—For purposes of
7 awarding grants under subsection (a), there is au-
8 thorized to be appropriated \$500,000,000 for the pe-
9 riod of fiscal years 2022 through 2024.

10 “(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—For purposes
11 of carrying out the technical assistance program
12 under subsection (b), there are authorized to be ap-
13 propriated \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022
14 through 2026.”.

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