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H. R. 6241

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to provide treatment for diabetes in urban and rural communities.

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Ms. WATERS (for herself, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. FIELDS, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. THANEDAR, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. VARGAS, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, and Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia) 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 “Urban and Rural Dia-
5 betes Initiative Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT OF DIABETES IN**
2 **URBAN AND RURAL COMMUNITIES.**

3 Subpart I of part D of title III of the Public Health
4 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b et seq.) is amended by adding
5 at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 330Q. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT OF DIABE-**
7 **TES IN URBAN AND RURAL COMMUNITIES.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
9 to eligible providers for the purpose of providing services
10 related to the treatment of diabetes (and co-morbid condi-
11 tions) in medically underserved communities.

12 “(b) APPLICATION FOR GRANT.—An eligible provider
13 seeking a grant under this section shall submit to the Sec-
14 retary an application in such form, in such manner, and
15 containing such agreements, assurances, and information
16 as the Secretary determines necessary, including as speci-
17 fied in subsection (c).

18 “(c) CONDITIONS.—As a condition on receiving a
19 grant under this section, an eligible provider shall agree—

20 “(1) to provide, as part of the services referred
21 to in subsection (a), routine care for diabetic pa-
22 tients, public education on diabetes prevention and
23 control, eye care, foot care, and treatment for kidney
24 disease and other complications of diabetes;

25 “(2) to provide such services in the languages
26 most appropriate for, and with consideration for the

1 cultural backgrounds of, the individuals for whom
2 the services are provided; and

3 “(3) to conduct outreach activities to inform
4 the public of the services of the program.

5 “(d) **EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.**—In
6 making grants under this section, the Secretary shall en-
7 sure an equitable geographic distribution of funds and a
8 balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural com-
9 munities.

10 “(e) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

11 “(1) **ELIGIBLE PROVIDER.**—The term ‘eligible
12 provider’ means a public or nonprofit private health
13 care provider. Such term includes a community-
14 based organization, a health care organization, a
15 rural health clinic (as defined in section 1861(aa) of
16 the Social Security Act), a Federally qualified health
17 center (as defined in such section 1861(aa)), and a
18 State, local, or Tribal health department.

19 “(2) **MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY.**—
20 The term ‘medically underserved community’ has the
21 meaning given such term in section 799B.

22 “(f) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There
23 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section

- 1 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
- 2 2026 through 2031.”.

