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To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow the Secretary of Health and Human Services to release accreditation surveys related to hospitals and psychiatric hospitals and certain information related to such surveys for psychiatric hospitals, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. GRASSLEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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 “Psychiatric Hospital
5 Inspection Transparency Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. RELEASE OF ACCREDITATION SURVEYS REGARD-**
2 **ING HOSPITALS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1865 of the Social Secu-
4 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395bb) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b)—

6 (A) by striking “agency or” and inserting
7 “agency”; and

8 (B) by inserting “, or, beginning on or
9 after the date that is 2 years after the date of
10 the enactment of the Psychiatric Hospital In-
11 spection Transparency Act of 2025, a hospital
12 or psychiatric hospital” after “hospice pro-
13 gram”; and

14 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
15 section:

16 “(f)(A) Beginning on or after the date that is 2 years
17 after the date of enactment of this subsection, each na-
18 tional accreditation body that conducts an accreditation
19 survey under this section shall include in such survey
20 Form CMS–2567 (or once the successor form described
21 in subparagraph (B) is developed, such successor form),
22 along with such additional information determined appro-
23 priate by such body.

24 “(B) Not later than (to be provided), the Secretary
25 shall work with relevant stakeholders, including national
26 accreditation bodies, to develop the successor form, which

1 shall be a standardized form that meets the needs of such
 2 bodies and allows health care consumers to make informed
 3 decisions regarding where to receive health care.”.

4 (b) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF HOSPITAL INFORMA-
 5 TION.—Section 1866 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 6 1395cc) is amended by adding at the end the following
 7 new subsection:

8 “(1) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY OF PSYCHIATRIC HOS-
 9 PITAL SURVEY INFORMATION.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that
 11 is 2 years after the date of enactment of this sub-
 12 section, the Secretary shall publish the information
 13 determined to be appropriate under paragraph (2)
 14 regarding a certification function for a psychiatric
 15 hospital (as defined in section 1861(f)) performed
 16 pursuant to an agreement described in section 1864
 17 or an accreditation survey regarding a psychiatric
 18 hospital conducted under section 1865 on the Care
 19 Compare website (or successor website) of the Cen-
 20 ters for Medicare & Medicaid Services. The Sec-
 21 retary shall provide for the timely update of such in-
 22 formation so published.

23 “(2) INFORMATION.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of para-
 25 graph (1), subject to subparagraph (B), and

not later than (to be provided), in order to allow health care consumers to make informed decisions regarding where to receive health care, the Secretary shall work with relevant stakeholders, including accreditation organizations and psychiatric hospitals, to identify—

“(i) what information is appropriate to disclose; and

“(ii) how such information should be formatted and communicated.

“(B) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall only publish information pursuant to this subsection if the disclosure of such information—

“(i) is permitted under the Federal regulations (concerning the privacy of individually identifiable health information) promulgated under section 264(c) of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 1320d–2 note); and

“(ii) does not allow any person to determine the identity of—

“(I) a patient of the psychiatric hospital; or

- 1 “(II) an individual healthcare
- 2 provider of such hospital.”.

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