

Public Law 101-582
101st Congress

An Act

To establish a program of grants for the development of State plans for meeting the objectives established by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for the health status of the population of the United States for the year 2000.

Nov. 15, 1990
[S. 2056]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Year 2000
Health
Objectives
Planning Act.
42 USC 246 note.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Year 2000 Health Objectives Planning Act".

SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR STATE PLANS REGARDING HEALTH OBJECTIVES FOR YEAR 2000.

42 USC 246 note.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control, shall make grants to the States for the purpose of assisting each State receiving such a grant with the development of a State plan for improving the health status of the population of the State.

(b) **STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT REGARDING YEAR 2000 HEALTH OBJECTIVES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary may not make a grant under subsection (a) unless the State involved agrees subject to paragraph (2), that in carrying out the purpose described in such subsection the State will conduct a statewide assessment to determine the extent to which the health status of the population of the State does not meet the objectives established by the Secretary for the health status of the population of the United States for the year 2000.

(2) **DESIGNATION OF REQUIRED DETERMINATIONS REGARDING OBJECTIVES.**—

(A) The Secretary may not make a grant under subsection (a) unless the State involved agrees that the statewide assessment under paragraph (1) will be conducted with respect to each of the year 2000 objectives designated under subparagraph (B).

(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A), the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and in consultation with the States, shall designate the year 2000 objectives with respect to which the statewide assessments under paragraph (1) are required to be conducted.

(C) Subject to compliance with subparagraph (A), a statewide assessment under paragraph (1) may be conducted by a State with respect to year 2000 objectives that are not designated under subparagraph (B).

(c) **PLAN FOR MEETING OBJECTIVES.**—The Secretary may not make a grant under subsection (a) unless the State involved agrees that—

(1) in the case of each year 2000 objective that the statewide assessment under subsection (b)(1) indicates is not met, the

State plan developed under subsection (a) will specify the activities that should be carried out in order to meet or exceed the objective;

(2) with respect to such activities, the plan will make recommendations for the State and for political subdivisions of the State, including recommendations for establishing or modifying public health and health financing programs, for funding levels of such programs, for maintaining sufficient numbers of appropriate personnel, for collecting appropriate data, and for coordinating the public health activities of the State and such subdivisions; and

(3) not later than April 1, 1992, the State will submit to the Secretary a copy of the completed plan, including a copy of the statewide assessment under subsection (b)(1).

42 USC 246 note. **SEC. 3. CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS REGARDING RECEIPT OF GRANT.**

(a) **SUBMISSION OF STATEMENT REGARDING INTENDED SCOPE OF STATE ASSESSMENT.**—The Secretary may not make a grant under section 2(a) unless the State submits to the Secretary a statement describing the intended scope of the statewide assessment under section 2(b)(1) that will be conducted with the grant, including a specification of the year 2000 objectives with respect to which the assessment will be conducted.

(b) **REQUIREMENT OF APPLICATION.**—The Secretary may not make a grant under section 2(a) unless—

(1) an application for the grant is submitted to the Secretary;

(2) the application contains the statement required in subsection (a); and

(3) the application otherwise is made in such manner, and contains such agreements, assurances, and information as the Secretary determines to be necessary to carry out this Act.

42 USC 246 note. **SEC. 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

(a) **AMOUNT OF GRANT.**—In the case of any State whose application under section 3(b) is approved, the amount of the grant under section 2(a) to the State shall, subject to the extent of amounts made available in appropriations Acts, be the greater of—

(1) \$100,000; and

(2) the amount determined by the Secretary, after consideration of the statement submitted by the State pursuant to section 3(a), to be appropriate with respect to carrying out the purpose described in section 2(a).

(b) **CERTAIN ASSISTANCE FROM SECRETARY.**—

(1) **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**—The Secretary may, directly or through grants or contracts, provide technical assistance to States regarding the planning, development, and operation of programs to carry out the purpose described in section 2(a).

(2) **PROVISION OF SUPPLIES AND SERVICES IN LIEU OF GRANT PAYMENTS.**—

(A) Upon the request of a State receiving payments from a grant under section 2(a), the Secretary may, subject to subparagraph (B), provide supplies, equipment, and services for the purpose of aiding the State in carrying out such section and, for such purpose, may detail to the State any officer or employee of the Department of Health and Human Services.

(B) With respect to a request described in subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall reduce the amount of payments under section 2(a) to the State by an amount equal to the costs of detailing personnel and the fair market value of any supplies, equipment, or services provided by the Secretary. The Secretary shall, for the payment of expenses incurred in complying with such request, expend the amounts withheld.

(c) **REPORT TO CONGRESS.**—Not later than September 30, 1992, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources of the Senate, a report summarizing the statewide assessments and State plans received by the Secretary under section 2(c)(3).

SEC. 5. UNIFORM USE OF HEALTH-STATUS INDICATORS AND OF METHODS OF COLLECTING AND REPORTING DATA.

42 USC 246 note.

The Secretary, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and in consultation with the States, shall—

- (1) develop a set of health-status indicators appropriate for Federal, State, and local health agencies to measure health status;
- (2) develop model methods of collecting and reporting data on whether the year 2000 objectives are being met;
- (3) encourage the uniform use by States and other entities of such methods and such indicators in order to ensure the utility and comparability of such data; and
- (4) develop national data sources to measure progress toward meeting the year 2000 objectives.

SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.

42 USC 246 note.

For purposes of this Act:

- (1) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.
- (2) **STATE.**—The term “State” means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.
- (3) **YEAR 2000 OBJECTIVES.**—The term “year 2000 objectives” means the objectives described in section 2(b)(1).

42 USC 246 note. **SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

For the purpose of carrying out this Act, there is authorized to be appropriated \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 1991.

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