

Public Law 102-96  
102d Congress

An Act

To honor and commend the efforts of Terry Beirn, to amend the Public Health Service Act to rename and make technical amendments to the community-based AIDS research initiative, and for other purposes.

Aug. 14, 1991  
[S. 1594]

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Terry Beirn Community Based AIDS Research Initiative Act of 1991".

Terry Beirn  
Community  
Based AIDS  
Research  
Initiative  
Act of 1991.  
42 USC 201  
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42 USC 300cc-  
13 note.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND SENSE OF CONGRESS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) community-based clinical trials complement the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases' university-based research in order to provide increased access to experimental therapies;

(2) community-based clinical trials provide an efficient and cost-effective means to develop new HIV-related treatments, benefiting all people living with HIV disease and other illnesses; and

(3) because the community-based clinical trials model has a proven ability to conduct rapid trials that meet the very highest standards of scientific inquiry, this program should be reauthorized and significantly expanded.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that, because of Terry Beirn's tireless efforts to foster a partnership among all parties invested in AIDS research (including the National Institutes of Health university-based research system, primary care physicians practicing in the community, and patients), the community-based clinical trials program should be renamed as the "Terry Beirn Community-Based AIDS Research Initiative" in his honor.

SEC. 3. COMMUNITY-BASED EVALUATIONS OF EXPERIMENTAL THERAPIES.

Section 2313 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300cc-13) is amended—

(1) in the section heading to read as follows:

"SEC. 2313. TERRY BEIRN COMMUNITY-BASED AIDS RESEARCH INITIATIVE.";

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) by amending the subsection heading to read as follows: "PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE INDUSTRY, SCHOOLS OF MEDICINE AND PRIMARY PROVIDERS"; and

(B) by striking out "schools of medicine and osteopathic medicine" and inserting in lieu thereof "schools of medicine, osteopathic medicine, and existing consortia of pri-

mary care providers organized to conduct clinical research concerning acquired immune deficiency syndrome"; and (3) in subsection (e)—

(A) by striking out "1991" in paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof "1996"; and

(B) by striking out "1991" in paragraph (2) and inserting in lieu thereof "1996".

Approved August 14, 1991.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 1594:

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July 31, considered and passed Senate.  
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