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To amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to States to encourage media campaigns to promote responsible fatherhood skills, and for other purposes.

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A BILL

To amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to States to encourage media campaigns to promote responsible fatherhood skills, and for other purposes.

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 “Responsible Father-
5 hood Act of 2001”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress makes the following findings:

3 (1) Nearly 25,000,000 children in the United
4 States, or 36 percent of all such children, live apart
5 from their biological father.

6 (2) Sixty percent of couples who divorce have at
7 least 1 child.

8 (3) The number of children living with only a
9 mother increased from just over 5,000,000 in 1960,
10 to 17,000,000 in 1999, and between 1981 and 1991
11 the percentage of children living with only 1 parent
12 increased from 19 percent to 25 percent.

13 (4) Forty percent of children who live in house-
14 holds without a father have not seen their father in
15 at least 1 year and 50 percent of such children have
16 never visited their father's home.

17 (5) The most important factor in a child's up-
18 bringing is whether the child is brought up in a lov-
19 ing, healthy, supportive environment.

20 (6) Children who live without contact with their
21 biological father are, in comparison to children who
22 have such contact—

23 (A) 5 times more likely to live in poverty;

24 (B) more likely to bring weapons and
25 drugs into the classroom;

26 (C) twice as likely to commit crime;

1 (D) twice as likely to drop out of school;

2 (E) twice as likely to be abused;

3 (F) more likely to commit suicide;

4 (G) more than twice as likely to abuse al-
5 cohol or drugs; and

6 (H) more likely to become pregnant as
7 teenagers.

8 (7) Violent criminals are overwhelmingly males
9 who grew up without fathers.

10 (8) Between 20 and 30 percent of families in
11 poverty are headed by women who have suffered do-
12 mestic violence during the past year and between 40
13 and 60 percent of women with children receiving
14 welfare were abused sometime during their life.

15 (9) Responsible fatherhood includes active par-
16 ticipation in financial support and child care, as well
17 as the formation and maintenance of a positive,
18 healthy, and nonviolent relationship between father
19 and child and a cooperative relationship between
20 parents.

21 (10) States should be encouraged to implement
22 programs that provide support for responsible fa-
23 therhood, promote marriage, and increase the inci-
24 dence of marriage, and should not be restricted from
25 implementing such programs.

1 (11) Fatherhood programs should promote and
2 provide support services for—

3 (A) loving and healthy relationships be-
4 tween parents and children; and

5 (B) cooperative parenting.

6 (12) There is a social need to reconnect chil-
7 dren and fathers.

8 (13) The promotion of responsible fatherhood
9 and encouragement of married 2-parent families
10 should not—

11 (A) denigrate the standing or parenting ef-
12 forts of single mothers or other caregivers;

13 (B) lessen the protection of children from
14 abusive parents; or

15 (C) compromise the safety or health of the
16 custodial parent;

17 but should increase the chance that children will
18 have two caring parents to help them grow up
19 healthy and secure.

20 (14) The promotion of responsible fatherhood
21 must always recognize and promote the values of
22 nonviolence.

23 (15) For the future of the United States and
24 the future of our children, Congress, States, and

1 local communities should assist parents to become
 2 more actively involved in their children’s lives.

3 (16) Child support is an important means by
 4 which a parent can take financial responsibility for
 5 a child and emotional support is an important
 6 means by which a parent can take social responsi-
 7 bility for a child.

8 **SEC. 3. BLOCK GRANTS TO STATES TO ENCOURAGE MEDIA**
 9 **CAMPAIGNS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title IV of the Social
 11 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) is amended by adding
 12 at the end the following:

13 **“SEC. 469C. BLOCK GRANTS TO STATES FOR MEDIA CAM-**
 14 **PAIGNS PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE FATHER-**
 15 **HOOD.**

16 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 “(1) BROADCAST ADVERTISEMENT.—The term
 18 ‘broadcast advertisement’ means a communication
 19 intended to be aired by a television or radio broad-
 20 cast station, including a communication intended to
 21 be transmitted through a cable channel.

22 “(2) CHILD AT RISK.—The term ‘child at risk’
 23 means each young child whose family income does
 24 not exceed the poverty line.

1 “(3) POVERTY LINE.—The term ‘poverty line’
2 has the meaning given such term in section 673(2)
3 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981
4 (including any revision required by such section)
5 that is applicable to a family of the size involved.

6 “(4) PRINTED OR OTHER ADVERTISEMENT.—
7 The term ‘printed or other advertisement’ includes
8 any communication intended to be distributed
9 through a newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising
10 facility, mailing, or any other type of general public
11 advertising, but does not include any broadcast ad-
12 vertisement.

13 “(5) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means each of
14 the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Com-
15 monwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin
16 Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Common-
17 wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

18 “(6) YOUNG CHILD.—The term ‘young child’
19 means an individual under age 5.

20 “(b) STATE CERTIFICATIONS.—Not later than Octo-
21 ber 1 of each of fiscal year for which a State desires to
22 receive an allotment under this section, the chief executive
23 officer of the State shall submit to the Secretary a certifi-
24 cation that the State will—

1 “(1) use such funds to promote the formation
2 and maintenance of married 2-parent families,
3 strengthen fragile families, and promote responsible
4 fatherhood through media campaigns conducted in
5 accordance with the requirements of subsection (d);

6 “(2) return any unused funds to the Secretary
7 in accordance with the reconciliation process under
8 subsection (e); and

9 “(3) comply with the reporting requirements
10 under subsection (f).

11 “(c) PAYMENTS TO STATES.—For each of fiscal years
12 2002 through 2006, the Secretary shall pay to each State
13 that submits a certification under subsection (b), from any
14 funds appropriated under subsection (h), for the fiscal
15 year an amount equal to the amount of the allotment de-
16 termined for the fiscal year under subsection (g).

17 “(d) ESTABLISHMENT OF MEDIA CAMPAIGNS.—Each
18 State receiving an allotment under this section for a fiscal
19 year shall use the allotment to conduct media campaigns
20 as follows:

21 “(1) CONDUCT OF MEDIA CAMPAIGNS.—

22 “(A) RADIO AND TELEVISION MEDIA CAM-
23 PAIGNS.—

24 “(i) PRODUCTION OF BROADCAST AD-
25 VERTISEMENTS.—At the option of the

1 State, to produce broadcast advertisements
2 that promote the formation and mainte-
3 nance of married 2-parent families,
4 strengthen fragile families, and promote
5 responsible fatherhood.

6 “(ii) AIR-TIME CHALLENGE PRO-
7 GRAM.—At the option of the State, to es-
8 tablish an air-time challenge program
9 under which the State may spend amounts
10 allotted under this section to purchase time
11 from a broadcast station to air a broadcast
12 advertisement produced under subpara-
13 graph (A), but only if the State obtains an
14 amount of time of the same class and dur-
15 ing a comparable period to air the adver-
16 tisement using non-Federal contributions.

17 “(B) OTHER MEDIA CAMPAIGNS.—At the
18 option of the state, to conduct a media cam-
19 paign that consists of the production and dis-
20 tribution of printed or other advertisements
21 that promote the formation and maintenance of
22 married 2-parent families, strengthen fragile
23 families, and promote responsible fatherhood.

24 “(2) ADMINISTRATION OF MEDIA CAMPAIGNS.—

25 A State may administer media campaigns funded

1 under this section directly or through grants, con-
2 tracts, or cooperative agreements with public agen-
3 cies, local governments, or private entities, including
4 charitable and religious organizations.

5 “(3) CONSULTATION WITH DOMESTIC VIO-
6 LENCE ASSISTANCE CENTERS.—In developing broad-
7 cast and printed advertisements to be used in the
8 media campaigns conducted under paragraph (1),
9 the State or other entity administering the campaign
10 shall consult with representatives of State and local
11 domestic violence centers.

12 “(4) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—In this
13 subsection, the term ‘non-Federal contributions’ in-
14 cludes contributions by the State and by public and
15 private entities. Such contributions may be in cash
16 or in kind. Such term does not include any amounts
17 provided by the Federal Government, or services as-
18 sisted or subsidized to any significant extent by the
19 Federal Government, or any amount expended by a
20 State before October 1, 2002.

21 “(e) RECONCILIATION PROCESS.—

22 “(1) 3-YEAR AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS AL-
23 LOTTED.—Each State that receives an allotment
24 under this section shall return to the Secretary any
25 unused portion of the amount allotted to a State

1 under this section for a fiscal year not later than
2 the last day of the second succeeding fiscal year to-
3 gether with any earnings on such unused portion.

4 “(2) PROCEDURE FOR REDISTRIBUTION OF UN-
5 USED ALLOTMENTS.—The Secretary shall establish
6 an appropriate procedure for redistributing to States
7 that have expended the entire amount allotted under
8 this section any amount that is—

9 “(A) returned to the Secretary by States
10 under paragraph (1); or

11 “(B) not allotted to a State under this sec-
12 tion because the State did not submit a certifi-
13 cation under subsection (b) by October 1 of a
14 fiscal year.

15 “(f) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

16 “(1) MONITORING AND EVALUATION.—Each
17 State receiving an allotment under this section for a
18 fiscal year shall monitor and evaluate the media
19 campaigns conducted using funds made available
20 under this section in such manner as the Secretary,
21 in consultation with the States, determines appro-
22 priate.

23 “(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not less frequently
24 than annually, each State receiving an allotment
25 under this section for a fiscal year shall submit to

1 the Secretary reports on the media campaigns con-
2 ducted under this section at such time, in such man-
3 ner, and containing such information as the Sec-
4 retary may require.

5 “(g) AMOUNT OF ALLOTMENTS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
7 graph (2), of the amount appropriated for the pur-
8 pose of making allotments under this section for a
9 fiscal year, the Secretary shall allot to each State
10 that submits a certification under subsection (b) for
11 the fiscal year an amount equal to the sum of—

12 “(A) the amount that bears the same ratio
13 to 50 percent of such funds as the number of
14 young children in the State (as determined by
15 the Secretary based on the most recent March
16 supplement to the Current Population Survey
17 of the Bureau of the Census before the begin-
18 ning of the calendar year in which such fiscal
19 year begins) as bears to the number of such
20 children in all States; and

21 “(B) the amount that bears the same ratio
22 to 50 percent of such funds as the number of
23 children at risk in the State (as determined by
24 the Secretary based on the most recent March
25 supplement to the Current Population Survey

1 of the Bureau of the Census before the begin-
2 ning of the calendar year in which such fiscal
3 year begins) bears to the number of such chil-
4 dren in all States.

5 “(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENTS.—No allotment
6 for a fiscal year under this section shall be less
7 than—

8 “(A) in the case of a State other than the
9 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United
10 States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa,
11 and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar-
12 iana Islands, 1 percent of the amount appro-
13 priated for the fiscal year under subsection (h);
14 and

15 “(B) in the case of the Commonwealth of
16 Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands,
17 Guam, American Samoa, and the Common-
18 wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 0.5
19 percent of such amount.

20 “(3) PRO RATA REDUCTIONS.—The Secretary
21 shall make such pro rata reductions to the allot-
22 ments determined under paragraph (1) as are nec-
23 essary to comply with the requirements of paragraph
24 (2).

1 “(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
 2 is authorized to be appropriated \$25,000,000 for each of
 3 fiscal years 2002 through 2006 for purposes of making
 4 allotments to States under this section.”.

5 (b) EVALUATION.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
 7 Human Services shall conduct an evaluation of the
 8 impact of the media campaigns funded under section
 9 469C of the Social Security Act, as added by sub-
 10 section (a).

11 (2) REPORT.—Not later than December 31,
 12 2004, the Secretary of Health and Human Services
 13 shall report to Congress the results of the evaluation
 14 under paragraph (1).

15 (3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
 16 There is authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000
 17 for fiscal year 2002 for purposes of conducting the
 18 evaluation required under this subsection, to remain
 19 available until expended.

20 **SEC. 4. RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD BLOCK GRANT.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title IV of the Social
 22 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 et seq.), as amended by sec-
 23 tion 3, is amended by adding at the end the following:

24 **“SEC. 469D. RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD BLOCK GRANT.**

25 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 “(1) CHILD AT RISK.—The term ‘child at risk’
2 has the meaning given such term in section
3 469C(a)(2).

4 “(2) POVERTY LINE.—The term ‘poverty line’
5 has the meaning given such term in section
6 469C(a)(3).

7 “(3) STATE.—The term ‘State’ has the mean-
8 ing given such term in section 469C(a)(5).

9 “(4) YOUNG CHILD.—The term ‘young child’
10 has the meaning given such term in section
11 469C(a)(6).

12 “(b) STATE CERTIFICATIONS.—Not later than Octo-
13 ber 1 of each of fiscal year for which a State desires to
14 receive an allotment under this section, the chief executive
15 officer of the State shall submit to the Secretary a certifi-
16 cation that the State will—

17 “(1) comply with the matching requirements
18 under subsection (c)(2);

19 “(2) use such funds to promote responsible fa-
20 therhood in accordance with the requirements of
21 subsection (d);

22 “(3) use such funds to promote or sustain mar-
23 riage in accordance with subparagraph (A) or (B) of
24 subsection (d)(2);

1 “(4) return any unused funds to the Secretary
2 in accordance with the reconciliation process under
3 subsection (e); and

4 “(5) comply with the reporting requirements
5 under subsection (f).

6 “(c) PAYMENTS TO STATES.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
8 for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2006, the Sec-
9 retary shall pay to each State that submits a certifi-
10 cation described in subsection (b), from any funds
11 appropriated under subsection (h), for the fiscal year
12 an amount equal to the amount of the allotment de-
13 termined under subsection (g).

14 “(2) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—The Sec-
15 retary may not make a payment to a State under
16 paragraph (1) unless the State agrees that, with re-
17 spect to the costs to be incurred by the State in sup-
18 porting the programs described in subsection (d),
19 the State will make available non-Federal contribu-
20 tions in an amount equal to 25 percent of the
21 amount of Federal funds paid to the State under
22 such clause.

23 “(3) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—In this
24 subsection, the term ‘non-Federal contributions’ in-
25 cludes contributions by the State and by public and

1 private entities. Such contributions may be in cash
2 or in kind. Such term does not include any amounts
3 provided by the Federal Government, or services as-
4 sisted or subsidized to any significant extent by the
5 Federal Government or any amount expended by a
6 State before October 1, 2002.

7 “(d) RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD PROGRAMS.—

8 “(1) SUPPORT OF PROGRAMS.—A State shall
9 use the allotments received under this section to
10 support programs described in paragraph (2) di-
11 rectly or through a grant, contract, or cooperative
12 agreement with any public agency, local government,
13 or private entity (including any charitable or reli-
14 gious organization) with experience in administering
15 such a program.

16 “(2) PROGRAMS DESCRIBED.—Responsible Fa-
17 therhood programs include programs that—

18 “(A) promote marriage through such ac-
19 tivities as counseling, mentoring, disseminating
20 information about the benefits of marriage and
21 2-parent involvement for children, enhancing re-
22 lationship skills, teaching on how to control ag-
23 gressive behavior, and disseminating informa-
24 tion on the causes of domestic violence and
25 child abuse;

1 “(B) sustain marriages through marriage
2 preparation programs, premarital counseling,
3 marital inventories, skills-based marriage edu-
4 cation, financial planning seminars, and divorce
5 education and reduction programs, including
6 mediation and counseling;

7 “(C) promote responsible parenting
8 through such activities as counseling, men-
9 toring, disseminating information about good
10 parenting practices, skills-based parenting edu-
11 cation, encouraging child support payments,
12 and other methods; and

13 “(D) help fathers and their families avoid
14 or leave cash welfare and improve their eco-
15 nomic status by providing such activities as
16 work first services, job search, job training,
17 subsidized employment, job retention, job en-
18 hancement, and encouraging education, includ-
19 ing career-advancing education, dissemination
20 of employment materials, coordination with ex-
21 isting employment services such as Welfare to
22 Work and referrals to local employment train-
23 ing initiatives, and other methods.

1 “(3) TARGETED LOW-INCOME PARTICIPANTS.—

2 Not less than 50 percent of the participants in each
3 program supported under paragraph (1) shall be—

4 “(A) parents of a child who is, or within
5 the past 24 months has been, a recipient of as-
6 sistance or services under a State program
7 funded under this part; or

8 “(B) parents, including an expectant par-
9 ent or a married parent, whose income (after
10 adjustment for court-ordered child support paid
11 or received) does not exceed 150 percent of the
12 poverty line.

13 “(4) CONSULTATION WITH DOMESTIC VIO-
14 LENCE ASSISTANCE CENTERS.—Each State or entity
15 administering a program supported under paragraph
16 (1) shall consult with representatives of State and
17 local domestic violence centers.

18 “(5) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Amounts
19 allotted to a State under this section shall be used
20 to supplement and not supplant other Federal,
21 State, or local funds provided to the State under this
22 part or any other provision of law that are used to
23 support programs and activities similar to the a re-
24 sponsible fatherhood program described in para-
25 graph (2).

1 “(6) RESTRICTIONS ON USE.—No amount allotted
2 ted under this section may be used for court proceedings
3 on matters of child visitation or child custody,
4 or for legislative advocacy.

5 “(e) RECONCILIATION PROCESS.—

6 “(1) 3-YEAR AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS AL-
7 LOTED.—Each State that receives an allotment
8 under this section shall return to the Secretary any
9 unused portion of the amount allotted to a State
10 under this section for a fiscal year not later than the
11 last day of the second succeeding fiscal year, together
12 with any earnings on such unused portion.

13 “(2) PROCEDURE FOR REDISTRIBUTION OF UN-
14 USED ALLOTMENTS.—The Secretary shall establish
15 an appropriate procedure for redistributing to States
16 that have expended the entire amount allotted under
17 this section any amount that is—

18 “(A) returned to the Secretary by States
19 under paragraph (1); or

20 “(B) not allotted to a State under this section
21 because the State did not submit a certification
22 under subsection (b) by October 1 of a
23 fiscal year.

24 “(f) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

1 “(1) MONITORING AND EVALUATION.—Each
2 State receiving an allotment under this section shall
3 monitor and evaluate the programs supported using
4 funds made available under this section in such
5 manner as the Secretary, in consultation with the
6 States, determines appropriate.

7 “(2) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not less frequently
8 than annually, each State receiving an allotment
9 under this section for a fiscal year shall submit to
10 the Secretary reports on the programs supported
11 under this section at such time, in such manner, and
12 containing such information as the Secretary may
13 reasonably require.

14 “(g) AMOUNT OF ALLOTMENTS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
16 graph (2), of the amount appropriated for the pur-
17 pose of making allotments under this section for a
18 fiscal year the Secretary shall allot to each State
19 that submits a certification under subsection (b) for
20 that fiscal year an amount equal to the sum of—

21 “(A) the amount that bears the same ratio
22 to 50 percent of such funds as the number of
23 young children in the State (as determined by
24 the Secretary based on the most recent March
25 supplement to the Current Population Survey

1 of the Bureau of the Census before the begin-
2 ning of the calendar year in which such fiscal
3 year begins) as bears to the number of such
4 children in all States; and

5 “(B) the amount that bears the same ratio
6 to 50 percent of such funds as the number of
7 children at risk in the State (as determined by
8 the Secretary based on the most recent March
9 supplement to the Current Population Survey
10 of the Bureau of the Census before the begin-
11 ning of the calendar year in which such fiscal
12 year begins) bears to the number of such chil-
13 dren in all States.

14 “(2) MINIMUM ALLOTMENTS.—No allotment
15 for a fiscal year under this section shall be less
16 than—

17 “(A) in the case of a State other than the
18 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United
19 States Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa,
20 and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mar-
21 iana Islands, 1 percent of the amount appro-
22 priated for the fiscal year under subsection (h);
23 and

24 “(B) in the case of the Commonwealth of
25 Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands,

1 Guam, American Samoa, and the Common-
2 wealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, 0.5
3 percent of such amount.

4 “(3) PRO RATA REDUCTIONS.—The Secretary
5 shall make such pro rata reductions to the allot-
6 ments determined under paragraph (1) as are nec-
7 essary to comply with the requirements of paragraph
8 (2).

9 “(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
10 is authorized to be appropriated \$50,000,000 for each of
11 fiscal years 2002 through 2006 for purposes of making
12 allotments to States under this section.”.

13 (b) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

14 (1) EVALUATION.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
16 Health and Human Services (in this subsection
17 referred to as the “Secretary”), in consultation
18 with the Secretary of Labor, shall, directly or
19 through a grant, contract, or interagency agree-
20 ment, conduct an evaluation of the projects
21 funded under section 469D of the Social Secu-
22 rity Act (as added by subsection (a)).

23 (B) OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT.—The eval-
24 uation conducted under subparagraph (A) shall
25 assess, among other outcomes selected by the

1 Secretary, effects of the projects on marriage,
2 parenting, employment, earnings, payment of
3 child support, and incidence of domestic vio-
4 lence and child abuse.

5 (C) PROJECT SELECTION.—In selecting
6 projects for the evaluation, the Secretary should
7 include projects that are most likely to further
8 the purposes of this section.

9 (D) RANDOM ASSIGNMENT.—In conducting
10 the evaluation, random assignment should be
11 used wherever possible.

12 (2) REPORT.—Not later than December 31,
13 2004, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a re-
14 port on the results of the evaluation conducted
15 under paragraph (1).

16 (3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—
17 There is authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000
18 for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2006 to carry
19 out this subsection.

20 **SEC. 5. NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR RESPONSIBLE FA-**
21 **THERHOOD PROGRAMS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—Part D of title IV of the Social
23 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651), as amended by section 4,
24 is amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 469E. MEDIA CAMPAIGN NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE**
2 **FOR RESPONSIBLE FATHERHOOD.**

3 “(a) MEDIA CAMPAIGN AND NATIONAL CLEARING-
4 HOUSE.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—From any funds appro-
6 priated under subsection (c), the Secretary shall con-
7 tract with a nationally recognized, nonprofit father-
8 hood promotion organization described in subsection
9 (b) to—

10 “(A) develop, promote, and distribute to
11 interested States, local governments, public
12 agencies, and private entities a media campaign
13 that encourages the appropriate involvement of
14 both parents in the life of any child of the par-
15 ents, with a priority for programs that specifi-
16 cally address the issue of responsible father-
17 hood; and

18 “(B) develop a national clearinghouse to
19 assist States and communities in efforts to pro-
20 mote and support marriage and responsible fa-
21 therhood by collecting, evaluating, and making
22 available (through the Internet and by other
23 means) to other States information regarding
24 the media campaigns established under section
25 469C.

1 “(2) COORDINATION WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
2 PROGRAMS.—The Secretary shall ensure that the na-
3 tionally recognized nonprofit fatherhood promotion
4 organization with a contract under paragraph (1)
5 coordinates the media campaign developed under
6 subparagraph (A) of such paragraph and the na-
7 tional clearinghouse developed under subparagraph
8 (B) of such paragraph with a national, State, or
9 local domestic violence program.

10 “(b) NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED, NONPROFIT FA-
11 THERHOOD PROMOTION ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED.—
12 The nationally recognized, nonprofit fatherhood promotion
13 organization described in this subsection is such an orga-
14 nization that has at least 4 years of experience in—

15 “(1) designing and disseminating a national
16 public education campaign, including the production
17 and successful placement of television, radio, and
18 print public service announcements that promote the
19 importance of responsible fatherhood; and

20 “(2) providing consultation and training to
21 community-based organizations interested in imple-
22 menting fatherhood outreach, support, or skill devel-
23 opment programs with an emphasis on promoting
24 married fatherhood as the ideal.

1 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
2 is authorized to be appropriated \$2,000,000 for each of
3 fiscal years 2002 through 2006 to carry out this section.”.

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