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To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants for treatment and support services for Alzheimer's patients and their families.

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Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. ACEVEDO-VILÁ, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. FROST, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. OWENS, and Mr. BERMAN) 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Alzheimer’s Treatment
3 and Caregiver Support Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT AND SUPPORT**
5 **SERVICES FOR ALZHEIMER’S PATIENTS AND**
6 **THEIR FAMILIES.**

7 Part D of title III of the Public Health Service Act
8 (42 U.S.C. 254b et seq.) is amended by inserting after
9 section 330K the following:

10 **“SEC. 330L. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT AND SUP-**
11 **PORT SERVICES FOR ALZHEIMER’S PATIENTS**
12 **AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
14 to public and nonprofit private health care providers for
15 the purpose of expanding treatment services for patients
16 with Alzheimer’s disease and training and support services
17 for families and caregivers of such patients.

18 “(b) RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS.—The public and non-
19 profit private health care providers to whom grants may
20 be made under subsection (a) include health care organi-
21 zations, community health centers, nursing homes, senior
22 centers, Area Agencies on Aging, community-based orga-
23 nizations, and State, local, and tribal health agencies and
24 social service agencies.

25 “(c) INTEGRATION OF TREATMENT, TRAINING, AND
26 SUPPORT SERVICES.—A condition for the receipt of a

1 grant under subsection (a) is that the applicant involved
2 agree to employ a comprehensive approach to Alzheimer’s
3 care that integrates treatment of patients with Alz-
4 heimer’s disease with training and support services for the
5 patients’ families and caregivers.

6 “(d) APPROPRIATE CULTURAL CONTEXT.—A condi-
7 tion for the receipt of a grant under subsection (a) is that
8 the applicant involved agree that, in any program to be
9 funded by such grant, services will be provided in the lan-
10 guages and cultural contexts most appropriate for the in-
11 dividuals for whom the services are provided.

12 “(e) OUTREACH SERVICES.—A condition for the re-
13 ceipt of a grant under subsection (a) is that the applicant
14 involved agree to provide outreach activities to inform the
15 public of the services of the program, and to provide infor-
16 mation on Alzheimer’s disease.

17 “(f) APPLICATION FOR GRANT.—A grant may be
18 made under subsection (a) only if an application for the
19 grant is submitted to the Secretary and the application
20 is in such form, is made in such manner, and contains
21 such agreements, assurances, and information as the Sec-
22 retary determines to be necessary to carry out this section.

23 “(g) FUNDING.—

24 “(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

25 For the purpose of carrying out this section, there

1 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may
2 be necessary for each of the fiscal years 2005
3 through 2009.

4 “(2) ALLOCATION FOR MEDICALLY UNDER-
5 SERVED COMMUNITIES.—Of the amounts appro-
6 priated under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall
7 make available not less than 10 percent for grants
8 under subsection (a) to applicants that primarily
9 serve medically underserved communities, as defined
10 in section 799B(6).”.

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