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# H. R. 4404

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to provide treatment for diabetes in minority communities.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 16, 2009

Ms. WATERS (for herself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. KILDEE, and Ms. BORDALLO) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## 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 “Minority Diabetes Ini-  
5 tiative Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT OF DIABETES IN**  
7 **MINORITY COMMUNITIES.**

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

1 **“SEC. 330M. GRANTS REGARDING TREATMENT OF DIABE-**  
2 **TES IN MINORITY COMMUNITIES.**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants  
4 to public and nonprofit private health care providers for  
5 the purpose of providing treatment for diabetes in minor-  
6 ity communities.

7 “(b) RECIPIENTS OF GRANTS.—The public and non-  
8 profit private health care providers to whom grants may  
9 be made under subsection (a) include physicians, podia-  
10 trists, community-based organizations, health care organi-  
11 zations, community health centers, and State, local, and  
12 tribal health departments.

13 “(c) SCOPE OF TREATMENT ACTIVITIES.—The Sec-  
14 retary shall ensure that grants under subsection (a) cover  
15 a variety of diabetes-related health care services, including  
16 routine care for diabetic patients, public education on dia-  
17 betes prevention and control, eye care, foot care, and  
18 treatment for kidney disease and other complications of  
19 diabetes.

20 “(d) APPROPRIATE CULTURAL CONTEXT.—A condi-  
21 tion for the receipt of a grant under subsection (a) is that  
22 the applicant involved agrees that, in the program carried  
23 out with the grant, services will be provided in the lan-  
24 guages most appropriate for, and with consideration for  
25 the cultural backgrounds of, the individuals for whom the  
26 services are provided.

1       “(e) OUTREACH SERVICES.—A condition for the re-  
2 ceipt of a grant under subsection (a) is that the applicant  
3 involved agrees to provide outreach activities to inform the  
4 public of the services of the program, and to provide offsite  
5 information on diabetes.

6       “(f) APPLICATION FOR GRANT.—A grant may be  
7 made under subsection (a) only if an application for the  
8 grant is submitted to the Secretary and the application  
9 is in such form, is made in such manner, and contains  
10 such agreements, assurances, and information as the Sec-  
11 retary determines to be necessary to carry out this section.

12       “(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—For the  
13 purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized  
14 to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for  
15 each of the fiscal years 2010 through 2015.”.

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