

Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1994 Act note set out under section 10101 of this title and Tables.

The Violence Against Women Act of 2000, referred to in subsec. (c)(1), is div. B of Pub. L. 106-386, Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1491. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 2000 Act note set out under section 10101 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 3796gg-11 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, prior to editorial reclassification and renumbering as this section.

AMENDMENTS

2006—Subsec. (b)(1)(I). Pub. L. 109-271, §7(a)(4), inserted “that is developed and provided by entities having expertise in tribal law, customary practices, and Federal Indian law” after “technical assistance”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section not effective until the beginning of fiscal year 2007, see section 4 of Pub. L. 109-162, set out as an Effective Date of 2006 Amendment note under section 10261 of this title.

§ 10454. Grant eligibility regarding compelling victim testimony

In order for a prosecutor’s office to be eligible to receive grant funds under this subchapter, the head of the office shall certify, to the State, Indian Tribal government, or territorial government receiving the grant funding, that the office will, during the 3-year period beginning on the date on which the grant is awarded, engage in planning, developing and implementing—

(1) training developed by experts in the field regarding victim-centered approaches in domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking cases;

(2) policies that support a victim-centered approach, informed by such training; and

(3) a protocol outlining alternative practices and procedures for material witness petitions and bench warrants, consistent with best practices, that shall be exhausted before employing material witness petitions and bench warrants to obtain victim-witness testimony in the investigation, prosecution, and trial of a crime related to domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking of the victim in order to prevent further victimization and trauma to the victim.

(Pub. L. 90-351, title I, §2017, as added Pub. L. 117-103, div. W, title I, §101(a)(3), Mar. 15, 2022, 136 Stat. 848.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section not effective until Oct. 1 of the first fiscal year beginning after Mar. 15, 2022, see section 4(a) of div. W of Pub. L. 117-103, set out as a note under section 6851 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

§ 10455. Senior Policy Advisor for Culturally Specific Communities

(a) Establishment

There is established in the Office on Violence Against Women a Senior Policy Advisor for Culturally Specific Communities.

(b) Duties

The Senior Policy Advisor for Culturally Specific Communities, under the guidance and authority of the Director, shall—

(1) advise on the administration of grants related to culturally specific services and contracts with culturally specific organizations;

(2) coordinate development of Federal policy, protocols, and guidelines on matters relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in culturally specific communities;

(3) advise the Director on policies, legislation, implementation of laws, and other issues relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in culturally specific communities;

(4) provide technical assistance, coordination, and support to other offices and bureaus in the Department of Justice to develop policy and to enforce Federal laws relating to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in culturally specific communities;

(5) ensure that appropriate technical assistance, developed and provided by entities with expertise in culturally specific communities, is made available to grantees and potential grantees proposing to serve culturally specific communities;

(6) ensure access to grants and technical assistance for culturally specific organizations; and

(7) analyze the distribution of grant funding in order to identify barriers for culturally specific organizations.

(c) Qualifications

Not later than 120 days after March 15, 2022, the Director shall hire for the position established under subsection (a) an individual with personal, lived, and work experience from a culturally specific community, and a demonstrated history and expertise addressing domestic violence or sexual assault in a nongovernmental agency.

(Pub. L. 90-351, title I, §2018, as added Pub. L. 117-103, div. W, title IX, §902, Mar. 15, 2022, 136 Stat. 911.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

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SUBCHAPTER XX—GRANTS TO IMPROVE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESPONSE AND ENFORCEMENT OF PROTECTION ORDERS

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 117-103, div. W, title I, §102(a), Mar. 15, 2022, 136 Stat. 848, substituted “GRANTS TO IMPROVE THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESPONSE” for “GRANTS TO ENCOURAGE ARREST POLICIES” in heading.

Pub. L. 106-386, div. B, title I, §1101(a)(1), Oct. 28, 2000, 114 Stat. 1492, inserted “AND ENFORCEMENT OF PROTECTION ORDERS” at end of heading.