

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-183 renumbered section 1823 of this title as this section.

§ 1834. Nonduplication of benefits

(a) **MONETARY ALLOWANCE.**—In the case of an eligible child under subchapter II of this chapter whose only covered birth defect is spina bifida, a monetary allowance shall be paid under subchapter I of this chapter. In the case of an eligible child under subchapter II of this chapter who has spina bifida and one or more additional covered birth defects, a monetary allowance shall be paid under subchapter II of this chapter. In the case of a child eligible for benefits under subchapter I or II of this chapter who is also eligible for benefits under subchapter III of this chapter, a monetary allowance shall be paid under the subchapter of this chapter elected by the child.

(b) **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION.**—An individual may only be provided one program of vocational training under this chapter.

(Added Pub. L. 106-419, title IV, §401(b), Nov. 1, 2000, 114 Stat. 1860, §1824; renumbered §1834 and amended, Pub. L. 108-183, title I, §102(a)(1), (c), Dec. 16, 2003, 117 Stat. 2653, 2654.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1834 was renumbered section 3734 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2003—Pub. L. 108-183, §102(a)(1), renumbered section 1824 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-183, §102(c), inserted at end: “In the case of a child eligible for benefits under subchapter I or II of this chapter who is also eligible for benefits under subchapter III of this chapter, a monetary allowance shall be paid under the subchapter of this chapter elected by the child.”

§ 1835. Advisory council

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall establish an advisory council on health care and benefits for covered children.

(b) **MEMBERSHIP.**—The advisory council established under subsection (a) shall be composed of Federal employees.

(c) **DUTIES.**—The advisory council established under subsection (a) shall solicit feedback from covered children and covered veterans on the health care and benefits provided under this chapter and communicate such feedback to the Secretary.

(Added Pub. L. 118-18, §1(b), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 103.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1835 was renumbered section 2041 of this title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVISORY COUNCIL

Pub. L. 118-18, §1(d)(1), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 104, provided that: “Not later than 270 days after the date of

the enactment of this Act [Oct. 6, 2023], the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish the advisory council required under section 1835 of title 38, United States Code, as added by subsection (b).”

§ 1836. Care and coordination teams

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall establish care and coordination teams for covered children.

(b) **OUTREACH.**—A care and coordination team established under subsection (a) shall attempt to contact each covered child—

(1) not less frequently than once every 180 days, to ensure the continued care of the child and assist with any changes in care needed due to a changed situation of the child; and

(2) as soon as practicable after the identification of a condition listed in the report required by subsection (c).

(c) **REPORT.**—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a report setting forth a list of conditions that will trigger outreach to covered children under subsection (b)(2).

(Added Pub. L. 118-18, §1(b), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 103.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of the enactment of this section, referred to in subsec. (c), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 118-18, which was approved Oct. 6, 2023.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEADLINE FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF CARE AND COORDINATION TEAMS

Pub. L. 118-18, §1(d)(2), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 104, provided that: “Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 6, 2023], the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish the care and coordination teams required under section 1836 of such title, as added by subsection (b).”

§ 1837. Duration of health care and benefits provided

The Secretary shall provide a covered child with health care and benefits under this chapter—

(1) for the duration of the life of the child; and

(2) notwithstanding any death of a parent of the child that precedes the death of the child.

(Added Pub. L. 118-18, §1(b), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 104.)

§ 1838. Biennial report

Not less frequently than once every two years, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report setting forth the following:

(1) The number of covered children receiving health care or benefits under this chapter as of the date on which the report is submitted.

(2) The number of covered children for which the Department is paying for or providing a social worker as of such date.

(3) Metrics on outreach conducted under section 1836(b) of this title.
(Added Pub. L. 118-18, §1(b), Oct. 6, 2023, 137 Stat. 104.)

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PRIOR PROVISIONS

Prior sections 1841 to 1851 were renumbered sections 3741 to 3751 of this title, respectively.

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- Sec. 1960. Waiver of premium payments on due date.
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- 2022—Pub. L. 117-313, §3(b)(2), Dec. 27, 2022, 136 Stat. 4400, substituted "Beneficiaries" for "Change of beneficiary" in item 1949.
- 2021—Pub. L. 116-315, title II, §2004(a)(2), (c)(3), Jan. 5, 2021, 134 Stat. 4974, added item 1922B and substituted "Legacy service" for "Service" in item 1922 and "Legacy supplemental" for "Supplemental" in item 1922A.
- 2005—Pub. L. 109-13, div. A, title I, §1032(b), May 11, 2005, 119 Stat. 259, added item 1980A.
- 1998—Pub. L. 105-368, title III, §302(a)(2), Nov. 11, 1998, 112 Stat. 3333, added item 1980.
- 1996—Pub. L. 104-275, title IV, §405(b)(3), Oct. 9, 1996, 110 Stat. 3339, substituted "SERVICEMEMBERS' GROUP" for "SERVICEMEN'S GROUP" in subchapter III heading and "Servicemembers' Group" for "Service-men's Group" in item 1974.
- 1992—Pub. L. 102-568, title II, §203(b), Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4325, added item 1922A.
- 1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(b)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, renumbered items 701 to 788 as 1901 to 1988, respectively.
- Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405, substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" in item 785.
- 1988—Pub. L. 100-687, div. B, title XIV, §1401(c), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4129, added items 728, 729, and 763.
- Pub. L. 100-322, title III, §331(a)(2), (b)(2), May 20, 1988, 102 Stat. 536, 537, added items 727 and 762.
- 1979—Pub. L. 96-128, title III, §§302(b), 303(b), Nov. 28, 1979, 93 Stat. 986, added items 726 and 761.
- 1974—Pub. L. 93-289, §§2(b), 9(b), May 24, 1974, 88 Stat. 165, 172, added items 777, 778, and 779 and substituted