(b) In order to bring about utilization of all medical information in the surrounding medical community, particularly in remote areas, and to foster and encourage the widest possible cooperation and consultation among all members of the medical profession in such community, the educational facilities and programs established at Department hospitals and the electronic link to medical centers shall be made available for use by the surrounding medical community (including State home facilities furnishing domiciliary, nursing home, or hospital care to veterans). The Secretary may charge a fee for such services (on annual or like basis) at rates which the Secretary determines, after appropriate study, to be fair and equitable. The financial status of any user of such services shall be taken into consideration by the Secretary in establishing the amount of the fee to be paid. Any proceeds to the Government received therefrom shall be credited to the applicable Department medical appropriation.

(c) The Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with public and nonprofit private institutions, organizations, corporations, and other entities in order to participate in cooperative health-care personnel education programs within the geographical area of any Department health-care facility located in an area remote from major academic health centers.

(Added Pub. L. 89–785, title II, $\S203$, Nov. 7, 1966, 80 Stat. 1374, $\S5054$; amended Pub. L. 94–424, $\S1(1)$, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1332; Pub. L. 94–581, title II, $\S\S206(d)$, 210(e)(12), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2859, 2865; Pub. L. 96–151, title I, $\S102(a)$, Dec. 20, 1979, 93 Stat. 1092; Pub. L. 97–251, $\S9$, Sept. 8, 1982, 96 Stat. 716; renumbered $\S8154$, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, $\S402(b)(1)$, May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; Pub. L. 102–83, $\S4(a)(3)$, (4), (b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

 $1991\mathrm{--Pub}.$ L. $102\mathrm{--}40$ renumbered section 5054 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" wherever appearing.

Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(3), (4), substituted "Department"

Pub. L. 102–83, §4(a)(3), (4), substituted "Department" for "Veterans' Administration" wherever appearing.

1982—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97–251 inserted "(including State home facilities furnishing domiciliary, nursing home, or hospital care to veterans)" after "by the surrounding medical community".

1979—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 96–151 added subsec. (c).

1976—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-581 substituted "by the surrounding" for "by surrounding" and "which the Administrator determines" for "which he determines".

Pub. L. 94-424 inserted provision that any proceeds to the Government received therefrom shall be credited to the applicable Veterans' Administration medical appropriation.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-581 effective Oct. 21, 1976, see section 211 of Pub. L. 94-581, set out as a note under section 111 of this title.

§8155. Pilot programs; grants to medical schools

(a) The Secretary may establish an Advisory Subcommittee on Programs for Exchange of Medical Information, of the Special Medical Advisory Group, established under section 7312 of this title, to advise the Secretary on matters regarding the administration of this section and to coordinate these functions with other research and education programs in the Department of Medicine and Surgery. The Assistant Under Secretary for Health charged with administration of the Department of Medicine and Surgery medical research program shall be an ex officio member of this Subcommittee.

(b) The Secretary, upon the recommendation of the Subcommittee, is authorized to make grants to medical schools, hospitals, and research centers to assist such medical schools, hospitals, and research centers in planning and carrying out agreements authorized by section 8154 of this title. Such grants may be used for the employment of personnel, the construction of facilities, the purchasing of equipment when necessary to implement such programs, and for such other purposes as will facilitate the administration of this section.

(c)(1) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 1976; \$1,700,000 for the period beginning July 1, 1976, and ending September 30, 1976; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1977; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1978; and \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1979 and for each of the three succeeding fiscal years, for the purpose of developing and carrying out medical information programs under this section on a pilot program basis and for the grants authority in subsection (b) of this section. Pilot programs authorized by this subsection shall be carried out at Department hospitals in geographically dispersed areas of the United States.

(2) Funds authorized under this section shall not be available to pay the cost of hospital, medical, or other care of patients except to the extent that such cost is determined by the Secretary to be incident to research, training, or demonstration activities carried out under this section.

(d) The Secretary, after consultation with the Subcommittee shall prescribe regulations covering the terms and conditions for making grants under this section.

(e) Each recipient of a grant under this section shall keep such records as the Secretary may prescribe, including records which fully disclose the amount and disposition by such recipient of the proceeds of such grant, the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which such grant is made or used, and the amount of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources, and such records as will facilitate an effective audit.

(f) The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access, for the purpose of audit and examination, to any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipient of any grant under this section which are pertinent to any such grant.

(Added Pub. L. 89–785, title II, § 203, Nov. 7, 1966, 80 Stat. 1375, § 5055; amended Pub. L. 92–69, Aug. 6, 1971, 85 Stat. 178; Pub. L. 94–424, § 1(2), Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1332; Pub. L. 94–581, title II, § \$206(e), 210(e)(13), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2859, 2865; Pub. L. 96–151, title I, § 102(b), Dec. 20, 1979,

93 Stat. 1092; renumbered §8155 and amended Pub. L. 102-40, title IV, §402(b)(1), (d)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238, 239; Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(3), (4), (b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405; Pub. L. 102-405, title III, §302(c)(1), Oct. 9, 1992, 106 Stat. 1984; Pub. L. 103-446, title XII, §1201(d)(19), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4684.)

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AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-446 substituted "section 7312" for "section 4112"

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-405 substituted "Under Secretary for Health" for "Chief Medical Director"

1991—Pub. L. 102-40, §402(b)(1), renumbered section 5055 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102–83, $\S4(b)(1)$, (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" in two places.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator".

Pub. L. 102–40, §402(d)(1), substituted "8154" for

"5054".

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(3), (4), substituted "Department" for "Veterans' Administration"

Subsecs. (c)(2), (d) to (f). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator".

1979—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 96–151 inserted authorization for the three succeeding fiscal years after fiscal year 1979.

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-581 substituted "advise the Administrator" for "advise him" and "Assistant Chief Medical Director charged with administration of the Department of Medicine and Surgery medical research program" for "Assistant Chief Medical Director for Research and Education in Medicine"

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 94-424 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of \$3,500,000 for fiscal year 1976; \$1,700,000 for the period beginning July 1, 1976, and ending Sept. 30, 1976; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1977; \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1978; and \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1979 for provisions authorizing appropriations of \$3,000,000 for each fiscal year 1968 through 1971, and such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year 1972 through 1975.

1971—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 92-69 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of amounts up to \$3,000,000 for each fiscal year 1968 through 1971, and such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year 1972 through 1975, for provisions authorizing appropriations of amounts up to \$3,000,000 for each of the first four fiscal years following fiscal year in which this subchapter was enacted.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

Reference to Veterans Health Services and Research Administration (or to Department of Medicine and Surgery of the Veterans' Administration) deemed to refer to Veterans Health Administration pursuant to section 2 of Pub. L. 102-40, set out as a Renaming of Veterans Health Services and Research Administration note under section 301 of this title.

Reference to Department of Medicine and Surgery deemed to refer to Veterans Health Services and Research Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs, pursuant to section 10 of Pub. L. 100-527, set out as a Department of Veterans Affairs Act note under section 301 of this title.

Effective Date of 1976 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-581 effective Oct. 21, 1976, see section 211 of Pub. L. 94-581, set out as a note under section 111 of this title.

TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COUNCILS

Advisory councils in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such council is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a council established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. Advisory councils established after Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period beginning on the date of their establishment, unless, in the case of a council established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such council is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a council established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided for by law. See sections 1001(2) and 1013 of Title 5. Government Organization and Employees.

§8156. Coordination with health services development activities carried out under the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974

The Secretary and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall, to the maximum extent practicable, coordinate programs carried out under this subchapter and programs carried out under part F of title XVI of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300t et seq.).

(Added Pub. L. 89-785, title II, § 203, Nov. 7, 1966, 80 Stat. 1375, §5056; amended Pub. L. 94–581, title I, §115(a)(2), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2853; Pub. L. 97-295, §4(93), (95)(A), Oct. 12, 1982, 96 Stat. 1313; renumbered §8156, Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, §402(b)(1), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404, 405.)

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References in Text

The National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974, referred to in section catchline, is Pub. L. 93-641, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2225, which is classified generally to subchapters XIII (§300k et seq.) and XIV (§3000 et seq.) of chapter 6A of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1975 Amendment note set out under section 201 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Public Health Service Act, referred to in text, is act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, 58 Stat. 682. Part F of title XVI of the Public Health Service Act was added by act Jan. 4, 1975, Pub. L. 93–641, §4, 88 Stat. 2273, and was redesignated as Part D by Pub. L. 96–79, title II, §202(a), Oct. 4, 1979, 93 Stat. 632. Part D of that Act is classified generally to Part D (§300t) of subchapter XIV of chapter 6A of Title 42. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 201 of Title 42 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-40 renumbered section 5056 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102-83 substituted "The Secretary" for "The Administrator".

1982—Pub. L. 97-295, §4(95)(A), substituted "Health and Human Services" for "Health, Education, and Welfare'

Pub. L. 97-295, §4(93), inserted "(42 U.S.C. 300t et seq.)" after "part F of title XVI of the Public Health Service Act"

1976-Pub. L. 94-581 substituted "health services development activities carried out under the National Health Planning and Resources Development Act of 1974" for "programs carried out under the Heart Disease, Cancer, and Stroke Amendments of 1965" in section catchline and "part F of title XVI" for "title IX" in text