

§ 1397m-3. Provision of information regarding, and evaluations of, elder justice programs

(a) Provision of information

To be eligible to receive a grant under this part, an applicant shall agree—

(1) except as provided in paragraph (2), to provide the eligible entity conducting an evaluation under subsection (b) of the activities funded through the grant with such information as the eligible entity may require in order to conduct such evaluation; or

(2) in the case of an applicant for a grant under section 1397m(b) of this title, to provide the Secretary with such information as the Secretary may require to conduct an evaluation or audit under subsection (c).

(b) Use of eligible entities to conduct evaluations

(1) Evaluations required

Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Secretary shall—

(A) reserve a portion (not less than 2 percent) of the funds appropriated with respect to each program carried out under this part; and

(B) use the funds reserved under subparagraph (A) to provide assistance to eligible entities to conduct evaluations of the activities funded under each program carried out under this part.

(2) Certified EHR technology grant program not included

The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to the certified EHR technology grant program under section 1397m(b) of this title.

(3) Authorized activities

A recipient of assistance described in paragraph (1)(B) shall use the funds made available through the assistance to conduct a validated evaluation of the effectiveness of the activities funded under a program carried out under this part.

(4) Applications

To be eligible to receive assistance under paragraph (1)(B), an entity shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a proposal for the evaluation.

(5) Reports

Not later than a date specified by the Secretary, an eligible entity receiving assistance under paragraph (1)(B) shall submit to the Secretary, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a report containing the results of the evaluation conducted using such assistance together with such recommendations as the entity determines to be appropriate.

(c) Evaluations and audits of certified EHR technology grant program by the Secretary

(1) Evaluations

The Secretary shall conduct an evaluation of the activities funded under the certified

EHR technology grant program under section 1397m(b) of this title. Such evaluation shall include an evaluation of whether the funding provided under the grant is expended only for the purposes for which it is made.

(2) Audits

The Secretary shall conduct appropriate audits of grants made under section 1397m(b) of this title.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, § 2044, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title VI, § 6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 796.)

§ 1397m-4. Report

Not later than October 1, 2014, the Secretary shall submit to the Elder Justice Coordinating Council established under section 1397k of this title, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a report—

(1) compiling, summarizing, and analyzing the information contained in the State reports submitted under subsections (b)(4) and (c)(4)¹ of section 1397m-1 of this title; and

(2) containing such recommendations for legislative or administrative action as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, § 2045, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title VI, § 6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 797.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Subsection (c)(4) of section 1397m-1 of this title, referred to in par. (1), was redesignated subsec. (c)(5) by Pub. L. 115-70, title V, § 501(3), Oct. 18, 2017, 131 Stat. 1215.

§ 1397m-5. Rule of construction

Nothing in this division shall be construed as—

(1) limiting any cause of action or other relief related to obligations under this division that is available under the law of any State, or political subdivision thereof; or

(2) creating a private cause of action for a violation of this division.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, § 2046, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title VI, § 6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 798.)

Division C—Social Impact Demonstration
Projects

§ 1397n. Purposes

The purposes of this division are the following:

(1) To improve the lives of families and individuals in need in the United States by funding social programs that achieve real results.

(2) To redirect funds away from programs that, based on objective data, are ineffective, and into programs that achieve demonstrable, measurable results.

(3) To ensure Federal funds are used effectively on social services to produce positive

¹ See References in Text note below.

outcomes for both service recipients and taxpayers.

(4) To establish the use of social impact partnerships to address some of our Nation's most pressing problems.

(5) To facilitate the creation of public-private partnerships that bundle philanthropic or other private resources with existing public spending to scale up effective social interventions already being implemented by private organizations, nonprofits, charitable organizations, and State and local governments across the country.

(6) To bring pay-for-performance to the social sector, allowing the United States to improve the impact and effectiveness of vital social services programs while redirecting inefficient or duplicative spending.

(7) To incorporate outcomes measurement and randomized controlled trials or other rigorous methodologies for assessing program impact.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, §2051, as added Pub. L. 115-123, div. E, title VIII, §50802(2), Feb. 9, 2018, 132 Stat. 269.)

§ 1397n-1. Social impact partnership application

(a) Notice

Not later than 1 year after February 9, 2018, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Federal Interagency Council on Social Impact Partnerships, shall publish in the Federal Register a request for proposals from States or local governments for social impact partnership projects in accordance with this section.

(b) Required outcomes for social impact partnership project

To qualify as a social impact partnership project under this division, a project must produce one or more measurable, clearly defined outcomes that result in social benefit and Federal, State, or local savings through any of the following:

- (1) Increasing work and earnings by individuals in the United States who are unemployed for more than 6 consecutive months.
- (2) Increasing employment and earnings of individuals who have attained 16 years of age but not 25 years of age.
- (3) Increasing employment among individuals receiving Federal disability benefits.
- (4) Reducing the dependence of low-income families on Federal means-tested benefits.
- (5) Improving rates of high school graduation.
- (6) Reducing teen and unplanned pregnancies.
- (7) Improving birth outcomes and early childhood health and development among low-income families and individuals.
- (8) Reducing rates of asthma, diabetes, or other preventable diseases among low-income families and individuals to reduce the utilization of emergency and other high-cost care.
- (9) Increasing the proportion of children living in two-parent families.
- (10) Reducing incidences and adverse consequences of child abuse and neglect.
- (11) Reducing the number of youth in foster care by increasing adoptions, permanent

guardianship arrangements, reunifications, or placements with a fit and willing relative, or by avoiding placing children in foster care by ensuring they can be cared for safely in their own homes.

(12) Reducing the number of children and youth in foster care residing in group homes, child care institutions, agency-operated foster homes, or other non-family foster homes, unless it is determined that it is in the interest of the child's long-term health, safety, or psychological well-being to not be placed in a family foster home.

(13) Reducing the number of children returning to foster care.

(14) Reducing recidivism among juvenile offenders, individuals released from prison, or other high-risk populations.

(15) Reducing the rate of homelessness among our most vulnerable populations.

(16) Improving the health and well-being of those with mental, emotional, and behavioral health needs.

(17) Improving the educational outcomes of special-needs or low-income children.

(18) Improving the employment and well-being of returning United States military members.

(19) Increasing the financial stability of low-income families.

(20) Increasing the independence and employability of individuals who are physically or mentally disabled.

(21) Other measurable outcomes defined by the State or local government that result in positive social outcomes and Federal savings.

(c) Application required

The notice described in subsection (a) shall require a State or local government to submit an application for the social impact partnership project that addresses the following:

- (1) The outcome goals of the project.
- (2) A description of each intervention in the project and anticipated outcomes of the intervention.
- (3) Rigorous evidence demonstrating that the intervention can be expected to produce the desired outcomes.
- (4) The target population that will be served by the project.
- (5) The expected social benefits to participants who receive the intervention and others who may be impacted.
- (6) Projected Federal, State, and local government costs and other costs to conduct the project.
- (7) Projected Federal, State, and local government savings and other savings, including an estimate of the savings to the Federal Government, on a program-by-program basis and in the aggregate, if the project is implemented and the outcomes are achieved as a result of the intervention.
- (8) If savings resulting from the successful completion of the project are estimated to accrue to the State or local government, the likelihood of the State or local government to realize those savings.
- (9) A plan for delivering the intervention through a social impact partnership model.