mediately below the level of State government, including counties, parishes, and boroughs. If State law recognizes an entity of general government that functions in lieu of, and is not within, a county, parish, or borough, the Secretary may recognize an area under the jurisdiction of such other entities of general government as a political subdivision for purposes of this section.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

For the purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated $100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(2) Public health emergencies

In the case of control programs carried out in response to a mosquito-borne disease that constitutes a public health emergency, the authorization of appropriations under paragraph (1) is in addition to applicable authorizations of appropriations under this chapter and other medical and public health preparedness and response laws.

(3) Fiscal year 2019 appropriations

For fiscal year 2019, 50 percent or more of the funds appropriated under paragraph (1) shall be used to award grants to political subdivisions or consortia of political subdivisions under subsection (b).

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, §317S, as added Pub. L. 108–75, §2(2), Aug. 15, 2003, 117 Stat. 898; amended Pub. L. 116–22, title VI, §607(a), June 24, 2019, 133 Stat. 959.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2019—Subsec. (a)(1)(B). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(1), inserted ''including programs to address emerging infectious mosquito-borne diseases,'' after ''subdivisions for control programs,'' and ''or improving existing control programs'' after ''in the subdivisions''.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(A), inserted '', including improvement,'' after ''operation''.

Subsec. (b)(2)(A)(iii). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(B)(i)(II), substituted '', including an emerging infectious mosquito-borne disease that presents a serious public health threat; or'' for semicolon at end.

Subsec. (b)(2)(A)(iv). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(B)(i)(I), (III), added cl. (iv).

Subsec. (b)(2)(D). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(B)(ii), amended subpar. (D) generally. Prior to amendment, subpar. (D) read as follows: ''is located in a State that has received a grant under subsection (a).''

Subsec. (b)(4)(C). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(C), substituted ''that—'' for ''that extraordinary economic conditions in the political subdivision or consortium of political subdivisions involved justify the waiver.'' and added cls. (i) and (ii).

Subsec. (b)(6). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(2)(D), amended par. (6) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (6) related to amount of grant and number of grants.

Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(3)(A), substituted ''for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023'' for ''for fiscal year 2003, and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2004 through 2007''.

Subsec. (f)(2). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(3)(B), substituted ''this chapter and other medical and public health preparedness and response laws'' for ''the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Act of 2002''.

Subsec. (f)(3). Pub. L. 116–22, §607(a)(3)(C), substituted ''2019'' for ''2004'' in heading and ''2019,'' for ''2004,'' in text.

§ 247b–22. Microbicide research

(a) In general

The Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is strongly encouraged to fully implement the Centers' microbicide agenda to support research and development of microbicides for use to prevent the transmission of the human immunodeficiency virus.

(b) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to carry out this section.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, §317T, as added Pub. L. 110–293, title II, §203(d), July 30, 2008, 122 Stat. 2941.)

§ 247b–23. National strategy and regional centers of excellence in vector-borne diseases

(a) In general

The Secretary shall—

(1)(A) ensure the development and implementation of a national strategy to address vector-borne diseases, including tick-borne diseases, that—

(i) identifies and assesses gaps and any unnecessary duplication in federally-funded programs; and

(ii) identifies strategic goals to address such diseases and appropriate benchmarks to measure progress toward achieving such goals; and

(B) update such strategy, as appropriate; and

(2) coordinate programs and activities, including related to data collection, research, and the development of diagnostics, treatments, vaccines, and other related activities, to address vector-borne diseases, including tick-borne diseases, across the Department of Health and Human Services and with other Federal agencies or departments, as appropriate.

(b) Consultation

In carrying out subsection (a)(1), the Secretary shall consult with the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group established under section 284s of this title and other individuals, as appropriate, such as—

(1) epidemiologists with experience in vector-borne diseases;

(2) representatives of patient advocacy and research organizations that focus on vector-borne diseases, including such organizations that have demonstrated experience in related research, public health, data collection, or patient access to care;

(3) health information technology experts or other information management specialists;

(4) clinicians, entomologists, vector management professionals, public health professionals, and others with expertise in vector-borne diseases; and

(5) researchers, including researchers with experience conducting translational research.

(c) Centers of excellence

The Secretary, in coordination with the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-