

title VI, § 6001(a)(2), Aug. 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 379, directed Secretary of Commerce, in conjunction with Secretary of Health and Human Services, to establish an advisory panel to develop recommendations for the improvement of rural health care through the collection of information needed by providers and the improvement in the use of communications to disseminate such information and, not later than 1 year after establishment of Panel to prepare and submit to Congress a report summarizing the recommendations made by the Panel.

Similar provisions were contained in Pub. L. 101-555, § 3, Nov. 15, 1990, 104 Stat. 2760.

§ 254s. Native Hawaiian Health Scholarships

(a) Eligibility

Subject to the availability of funds appropriated under the authority of subsection (d), the Secretary shall provide funds to Papa Ola Lokahi for the purpose of providing scholarship assistance to students who—

- (1) meet the requirements of section 254l(b) of this title, and
- (2) are Native Hawaiians.

(b) Terms and conditions

(1) The scholarship assistance provided under subsection (a) shall be provided under the same terms and subject to the same conditions, regulations, and rules that apply to scholarship assistance provided under section 254l of this title.

(2) The Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship program shall not be administered by or through the Indian Health Service.

(c) “Native Hawaiian” defined

For purposes of this section, the term “Native Hawaiian” means any individual who is—

- (1) a citizen of the United States,
- (2) a resident of the State of Hawaii, and
- (3) a descendant of the aboriginal people, who prior to 1778, occupied and exercised sovereignty in the area that now constitutes the State of Hawaii, as evidenced by—
 - (A) genealogical records,
 - (B) Kupuna (elders) or Kama’aina (long-term community residents) verification, or
 - (C) birth records of the State of Hawaii.

(d) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated \$1,800,000 for each of the fiscal years 1990, 1991, and 1992 for the purpose of funding the scholarship assistance provided under subsection (a).

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, § 338K, formerly § 338J, as added Pub. L. 100-713, title I, § 106, Nov. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 4787; renumbered § 338K, Pub. L. 101-597, title III, § 302, Nov. 16, 1990, 104 Stat. 3032; amended Pub. L. 101-644, title IV, § 401, Nov. 29, 1990, 104 Stat. 4668; Pub. L. 107-116, title V, § 514(b), Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2220.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

2002—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-116, which directed the amendment of subsec. (a) by substituting “Papa Ola Lokahi” for “Kamehameha School/Bishop Estate”, was executed by making the substitution for “Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate” to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-644, which directed the general amendment of subsec. (a) of section 338J of the Public Health Service Act, was executed to subsec. (a)

of this section, to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the intervening renumbering of section 338J as 338K by Pub. L. 101-597. Prior to amendment, subsec. (a) read as follows: “Subject to the availability of funds appropriated under the authority of subsection (d) of this section, the Secretary shall provide scholarship assistance, pursuant to a contract with the Kamehameha Schools/Bishop Estate, to students who—

“(1) meet the requirements of section 254l(b) of this title, and

“(2) are Native Hawaiians.”

§ 254t. Demonstration project

(a) Program authorized

The Secretary shall establish a demonstration project to provide for the participation of individuals who are chiropractic doctors or pharmacists in the Loan Repayment Program described in section 254l-1 of this title.

(b) Procedure

An individual that receives assistance under this section with regard to the program described in section 254l-1 of this title shall comply with all rules and requirements described in such section (other than subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 254l-1(b)(1) of this title) in order to receive assistance under this section.

(c) Limitations

(1) In general

The demonstration project described in this section shall provide for the participation of individuals who shall provide services in rural and urban areas.

(2) Availability of other health professionals

The Secretary may not assign an individual receiving assistance under this section to provide obligated service at a site unless—

(A) the Secretary has assigned a physician (as defined in section 1395x(r) of this title) or other health professional licensed to prescribe drugs to provide obligated service at such site under section 254m or 254n of this title; and

(B) such physician or other health professional will provide obligated service at such site concurrently with the individual receiving assistance under this section.

(3) Rules of construction

(A) Supervision of individuals

Nothing in this section shall be construed to require or imply that a physician or other health professional licensed to prescribe drugs must supervise an individual receiving assistance under the demonstration project under this section, with respect to such project.

(B) Licensure of health professionals

Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede State law regarding licensure of health professionals.

(d) Designations

The demonstration project described in this section, and any providers who are selected to participate in such project, shall not be considered by the Secretary in the designation of a health professional shortage area under section 254e of this title during fiscal years 2002 through 2004.