

entities to expand activities, including an expansion in the availability of evidence-based medication-assisted treatment and other clinically appropriate services, with respect to the treatment of substance use disorders in the specific geographical areas of such entities where there is a high rate or rapid increase in the use of heroin or other opioids, such as in rural areas.

(2) Nature of activities

Funds awarded under paragraph (1) shall be used for activities that are based on reliable scientific evidence of efficacy in the treatment of problems related to heroin or other opioids.

(b) Application

To be eligible for a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under subsection (a), an entity shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Secretary may reasonably require.

(c) Evaluation

An entity that receives a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under subsection (a) shall submit, in the application for such grant, contract, or agreement a plan for the evaluation of any project undertaken with funds provided under this section. Such entity shall provide the Secretary with periodic evaluations of the progress of such project and an evaluation at the completion of such project as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(d) Geographic distribution

In awarding grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that not less than 15 percent of funds are awarded to eligible entities that are not located in metropolitan statistical areas (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget). The Secretary shall take into account the unique needs of rural communities, including communities with an incidence of individuals with opioid use disorder that is above the national average and communities with a shortage of prevention and treatment services.

(e) Additional activities

In administering grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

- (1) evaluate the activities supported under such subsection;
- (2) disseminate information, as appropriate, derived from evaluations as the Secretary considers appropriate;
- (3) provide States, Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations, and providers with technical assistance in connection with the provision of treatment of problems related to heroin and other opioids; and
- (4) fund only those applications that specifically support recovery services as a critical component of the program involved.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

To carry out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 514B, as added Pub. L. 114-198, title III, § 301, July 22, 2016, 130

Stat. 717; amended Pub. L. 117-328, div. FF, title I, § 1213, Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 5661.)

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AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 117-328, § 1213(1), substituted “substance use disorder” for “substance abuse”, “Tribes and Tribal organizations” for “tribes and tribal organizations”, and “substance use disorders” for “addiction”.

Subsec. (e)(3). Pub. L. 117-328, § 1213(2), substituted “Tribes and Tribal organizations” for “tribes and tribal organizations”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 117-328, § 1213(3), substituted “2023 through 2027” for “2017 through 2021”.

§ 290bb-11. Building capacity for family-focused residential treatment

(a) Definitions

In this section:

(1) Eligible entity

The term “eligible entity” means a State, county, local, or tribal health or child welfare agency, a private nonprofit organization, a research organization, a treatment service provider, an institution of higher education (as defined under section 1001 of title 20), or another entity specified by the Secretary.

(2) Family-focused residential treatment program

The term “family-focused residential treatment program” means a trauma-informed residential program primarily for substance use disorder treatment for pregnant and postpartum women and parents and guardians that allows children to reside with such women or their parents or guardians during treatment to the extent appropriate and applicable.

(3) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(b) Support for the development of evidence-based family-focused residential treatment programs

(1) Authority to award grants

The Secretary shall award grants to eligible entities for purposes of developing, enhancing, or evaluating family-focused residential treatment programs to increase the availability of such programs that meet the requirements for promising, supported, or well-supported practices specified in section 671(e)(4)(C) of this title¹ (as added by the Family First Prevention Services Act enacted under title VII of division E of Public Law 115-123).

(2) Evaluation requirement

The Secretary shall require any evaluation of a family-focused residential treatment program by an eligible entity that uses funds awarded under this section for all or part of the costs of the evaluation be designed to assist in the determination of whether the program may qualify as a promising, supported, or well-supported practice in accordance with the requirements of such section 671(e)(4)(C).

¹ So in original.

(c) Authorization of appropriations

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this section, \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall remain available through fiscal year 2023.

(Pub. L. 115-271, title VIII, § 8083, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4102.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

Family First Prevention Services Act, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), is title VII of Pub. L. 115-123, div. E, Feb. 9, 2018, 132 Stat. 232. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act, also known as the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act, and not as part of the Public Health Service Act which comprises this chapter.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

SUPPORTING FAMILY-FOCUSED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Pub. L. 115-271, title VIII, § 8081, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4097, provided that:

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) FAMILY-FOCUSED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAM.—The term ‘family-focused residential treatment program’ means a trauma-informed residential program primarily for substance use disorder treatment for pregnant and postpartum women and parents and guardians that allows children to reside with such women or their parents or guardians during treatment to the extent appropriate and applicable.

“(2) MEDICAID PROGRAM.—The term ‘Medicaid program’ means the program established under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.).

“(3) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

“(4) TITLE IV-E PROGRAM.—The term ‘title IV-E program’ means the program for foster care, prevention, and permanency established under part E of title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 670 et seq.).

“(b) GUIDANCE ON FAMILY-FOCUSED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Oct. 24, 2018], the Secretary, in consultation with divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services administering substance use disorder or child welfare programs, shall develop and issue guidance to States identifying opportunities to support family-focused residential treatment programs for the provision of substance use disorder treatment. Before issuing such guidance, the Secretary shall solicit input from representatives of States, health care providers with expertise in addiction medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, neonatology, child trauma, and child development, health plans, recipients of family-focused treatment services, and other relevant stakeholders.

“(2) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The guidance required under paragraph (1) shall include descriptions of the following:

“(A) Existing opportunities and flexibilities under the Medicaid program, including under waivers authorized under section 1115 or 1915 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315, 1396n), for States to receive Federal Medicaid funding for the provision of substance use disorder treatment for pregnant and postpartum women and parents and guardians and, to the extent applicable, their children, in family-focused residential treatment programs.

“(B) How States can employ and coordinate funding provided under the Medicaid program, the title IV-E program, and other programs administered by the Secretary to support the provision of treatment and services provided by a family-focused residential treatment facility such as substance use disorder treatment and services, including medication-assisted treatment, family, group, and individual counseling, case management, parenting education and skills development, the provision, assessment, or coordination of care and services for children, including necessary assessments and appropriate interventions, non-emergency transportation for necessary care provided at or away from a program site, transitional services and supports for families leaving treatment, and other services.

“(C) How States can employ and coordinate funding provided under the Medicaid program and the title IV-E program (including as amended by the Family First Prevention Services Act enacted under title VII of division E of Public Law 115-123 [132 Stat. 232], and particularly with respect to the authority under subsections (a)(2)(C) and (j) of section 472 and section 474(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 672, 674(a)(1)) (as amended by section 50712 of Public Law 115-123) to provide foster care maintenance payments for a child placed with a parent who is receiving treatment in a licensed residential family-based treatment facility for a substance use disorder) to support placing children with their parents in family-focused residential treatment programs.”

SUBPART 2—CENTER FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

§ 290bb-21. Center for Substance Abuse Prevention**(a) Establishment; Director**

There is established in the Administration a Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (hereafter referred to in this part as the “Prevention Center”). The Prevention Center shall be headed by a Director appointed by the Secretary from individuals with extensive experience or academic qualifications in the prevention of drug or alcohol abuse.

(b) Duties of Director

The Director of the Prevention Center shall—

(1) sponsor regional workshops on the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse through the reduction of risk and the promotion of resiliency;

(2) coordinate the findings of research sponsored by agencies of the Service on the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse;

(3) collaborate with the Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, and States to promote the study of substance abuse prevention and the dissemination and implementation of research findings that will improve the delivery and effectiveness of substance abuse prevention activities;

(4) develop effective drug and alcohol abuse prevention literature (including educational information on the effects of drugs abused by individuals, including drugs that are emerging as abused drugs);

(5) in cooperation with the Secretary of Education, assure the widespread dissemination of prevention materials among States, political subdivisions, and school systems;