

**§ 290bb-40. Grants for the integrated treatment of serious mental illness and co-occurring substance abuse**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall award grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements to States, political subdivisions of States, Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and private nonprofit organizations for the development or expansion of programs to provide integrated treatment services for individuals with a serious mental illness and a co-occurring substance abuse disorder.

**(b) Priority**

In awarding grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements under subsection (a), the Secretary shall give priority to applicants that emphasize the provision of services for individuals with a serious mental illness and a co-occurring substance abuse disorder who—

- (1) have a history of interactions with law enforcement or the criminal justice system;
- (2) have recently been released from incarceration;
- (3) have a history of unsuccessful treatment in either an inpatient or outpatient setting;
- (4) have never followed through with outpatient services despite repeated referrals; or
- (5) are homeless.

**(c) Use of funds**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian tribe, tribal organization, or private nonprofit organization that receives a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under subsection (a) shall use funds received under such grant—

- (1) to provide fully integrated services rather than serial or parallel services;
- (2) to employ staff that are cross-trained in the diagnosis and treatment of both serious mental illness and substance abuse;
- (3) to provide integrated mental health and substance abuse services at the same location;
- (4) to provide services that are linguistically appropriate and culturally competent;
- (5) to provide at least 10 programs for integrated treatment of both mental illness and substance abuse at sites that previously provided only mental health services or only substance abuse services; and
- (6) to provide services in coordination with other existing public and private community programs.

**(d) Condition**

The Secretary shall ensure that a State, political subdivision of a State, Indian tribe, tribal organization, or private nonprofit organization that receives a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under subsection (a) maintains the level of effort necessary to sustain existing mental health and substance abuse programs for other populations served by mental health systems in the community.

**(e) Distribution of awards**

The Secretary shall ensure that grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements awarded under subsection (a) are equitably distributed among the geographical regions of the United States and between urban and rural populations.

**(f) Duration**

The Secretary shall award grants, contract, or cooperative agreements under this subsection for a period of not more than 5 years.

**(g) Application**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian tribe, tribal organization, or private nonprofit organization that desires a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under this subsection shall prepare and submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require. Such application shall include a plan for the rigorous evaluation of activities funded with an award under such subsection, including a process and outcomes evaluation.

**(h) Evaluation**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian tribe, tribal organization, or private nonprofit organization that receives a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under this subsection shall prepare and submit a plan for the rigorous evaluation of the program funded under such grant, contract, or agreement, including both process and outcomes evaluation, and the submission of an evaluation at the end of the project period.

**(i) Authorization of appropriation**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, and such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 2002 through 2003.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 520I, as added Pub. L. 106-310, div. B, title XXXII, § 3212, Oct. 17, 2000, 114 Stat. 1205.)

**§ 290bb-41. Mental health awareness training grants**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall award grants in accordance with the provisions of this section.

**(b) Mental health awareness training grants**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall award grants to States, political subdivisions of States, Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, and nonprofit private entities to train teachers and other relevant school personnel to recognize symptoms of childhood and adolescent mental disorders, to refer family members to the appropriate mental health services if necessary, to train emergency services personnel<sup>1</sup> veterans, law enforcement, and other categories of individuals, as determined by the Secretary, to identify and appropriately respond to persons with a mental illness, and to provide education to such teachers and personnel regarding resources that are available in the community for individuals with a mental illness.

**(2) Emergency services personnel**

In this subsection, the term “emergency services personnel” includes paramedics, firefighters, and emergency medical technicians.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. A comma probably should appear.

**(3) Distribution of awards**

The Secretary shall ensure that such grants awarded under this subsection are equitably distributed among the geographical regions of the United States and between urban and rural populations.

**(4) Application**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian Tribe, Tribal organization, or nonprofit private entity that desires a grant under this subsection shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a plan for the rigorous evaluation of activities that are carried out with funds received under a grant under this subsection.

**(5) Use of funds**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian Tribe, Tribal organization, or nonprofit private entity receiving a grant under this subsection shall use funds from such grant for evidence-based programs that provide training and education in accordance with paragraph (1) on matters including—

- (A) recognizing the signs and symptoms of mental illness;
- (B)(i) resources available in the community for individuals with a mental illness and other relevant resources; or
- (ii) safely de-escalating crisis situations involving individuals with a mental illness; and
- (C) suicide intervention and prevention.

**(6) Evaluation**

A State, political subdivision of a State, Indian Tribe, Tribal organization, or nonprofit private entity that receives a grant under this subsection shall prepare and submit an evaluation to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may reasonably require, including an evaluation of activities carried out with funds received under the grant under this subsection and a process and outcome evaluation.

**(7) Technical assistance**

The Secretary may provide technical assistance to grantees in carrying out this section, which may include assistance with—

- (A) program evaluation and related activities, including related data collection and reporting;
- (B) implementing and disseminating evidence-based practices and programs; and
- (C) facilitating collaboration among grantees.

**(8) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subsection \$24,963,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 520J, as added Pub. L. 106–310, div. B, title XXXII, § 3213, Oct. 17, 2000, 114 Stat. 1206; amended Pub. L. 114–255, div. B, title IX, § 9010, Dec. 13, 2016, 130 Stat. 1244; Pub. L. 117–328, div. FF, title I, § 1122(b), Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 5651.)

**Editorial Notes**

## AMENDMENTS

2022—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(A), substituted “Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations” for “Indian tribes, tribal organizations”.

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(2)(A), substituted “Emergency services personnel” for “Emergency Services Personnel” in heading.

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(2)(B), substituted “Distribution of awards” for “Distribution of Awards” in heading.

Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(B), substituted “Indian Tribe, Tribal organization” for “Indian tribe, tribal organization”.

Subsec. (b)(5). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(C)(i), substituted “Indian Tribe, Tribal organization” for “Indian tribe, tribal organization” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (b)(5)(C). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(C)(ii)–(iv), added subpar. (C).

Subsec. (b)(6). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(D), substituted “Indian Tribe, Tribal organization” for “Indian tribe, tribal organization”.

Subsec. (b)(7). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(F), added par. (7). Former par. (7) redesignated (8).

Subsec. (b)(8). Pub. L. 117–328, § 1122(b)(1)(E), (G), redesignated par. (7) as (8) and substituted “\$24,963,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027” for “\$14,693,000 for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2022”.

2016—Pub. L. 114–255, § 9010(1), inserted “Mental health awareness” before “training” in section catchline.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114–255, § 9010(2)(A), substituted “health” for “illness” in heading.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 114–255, § 9010(2)(B), inserted “veterans, law enforcement, and other categories of individuals, as determined by the Secretary,” after “emergency services personnel”.

Subsec. (b)(5). Pub. L. 114–255, § 9010(2)(C), substituted “for evidence-based programs that provide training and education in accordance with paragraph (1) on matters including” for “to” in introductory provisions, added subpars. (A) and (B), and struck out former subpars. (A) to (C) which read as follows:

“(A) train teachers and other relevant school personnel to recognize symptoms of childhood and adolescent mental disorders and appropriately respond;

“(B) train emergency services personnel to identify and appropriately respond to persons with a mental illness; and

“(C) provide education to such teachers and personnel regarding resources that are available in the community for individuals with a mental illness.”

Subsec. (b)(7). Pub. L. 114–255, § 9010(2)(D), substituted “\$14,693,000 for each of fiscal years 2018 through 2022.” for “, \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2001 and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2003.”

**§ 290bb–42. Improving uptake and patient access to integrated care services****(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Eligible entity**

The term “eligible entity” means a State, or an appropriate State agency, in collaboration with—

(A) 1 or more qualified community programs as described in section 300x–2(b)(1) of this title; or

(B) 1 or more health centers (as defined in section 254b(a) of this title), rural health clinics (as defined in section 1395x(aa) of this title), or Federally qualified health centers (as defined in such section), or primary care