

retary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this Act [probably means S. 2997 of the 116th Congress, a related bill which was not enacted into law] as the ‘Secretary’), in consultation with the Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry and the Advisory Council on Graduate Medical Education, shall develop a comprehensive and coordinated plan with respect to the health care workforce development programs of the Department of Health and Human Services, including education and training programs.

“(2) REQUIREMENTS.—The plan under paragraph (1) shall—

“(A) include performance measures to determine the extent to which the programs described in paragraph (1) are strengthening the Nation’s health care system;

“(B) identify any gaps that exist between the outcomes of programs described in paragraph (1) and projected health care workforce needs identified in workforce projection reports conducted by the Health Resources and Services Administration;

“(C) identify actions to address the gaps described in subparagraph (B); and

“(D) identify barriers, if any, to implementing the actions identified under subparagraph (C).

“(b) COORDINATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES.—The Secretary shall coordinate with the heads of other Federal agencies and departments that fund or administer health care workforce development programs, including education and training programs, to—

“(1) evaluate the performance of such programs, including the extent to which such programs are efficient and effective and are meeting the nation’s [sic] health workforce needs; and

“(2) identify opportunities to improve the quality and consistency of the information collected to evaluate within and across such programs, and to implement such improvements.

“(c) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act [Mar. 27, 2020], the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, a report describing the plan developed under subsection (a) and actions taken to implement such plan.”

## PART A—STUDENT LOANS

### SUBPART I—INSURED HEALTH EDUCATION ASSISTANCE LOANS TO GRADUATE STUDENTS

#### § 292. Statement of purpose

The purpose of this subpart is to enable the Secretary to provide a Federal program of student loan insurance for students in (and certain former students of) eligible institutions (as defined in section 292o of this title).

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, § 701, as added Pub. L. 102-408, title I, § 102, Oct. 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 1994.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 292, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, § 700, as added Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title II, § 201(b), 90 Stat. 2246, set forth limitations on use of appropriations, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97-35, title XXVII, § 2715, Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 913.

Another prior section 292, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, § 701, as added July 30, 1956, ch. 779, § 2, 70 Stat. 717; amended Sept. 24, 1963, Pub. L. 88-129, § 2(a), 77 Stat. 164, stated Congressional findings and declaration of policy respecting grants for construction of health research facilities, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94-484, title II, § 201(a), Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2246.

A prior section 701 of act July 1, 1944, was classified to section 292a of this title prior to the general revision of this subchapter by Pub. L. 102-408.

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 102-408, title I, § 103, Oct. 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 2069, provided that: “The amendment made by section 102 [enacting this subchapter] takes effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 13, 1992], except that section 708 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 292g], as added by section 102 of this Act, takes effect January 1, 1993. Until such date, section 732(c) of the Public Health Service Act [former 42 U.S.C. 294e(c)], as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act, continues in effect in lieu of such section 708.”

##### TRANSFER OF HEALTH EDUCATION ASSISTANCE LOAN PROGRAM

Pub. L. 113-76, div. H, title V, § 525, Jan. 17, 2014, 128 Stat. 413, provided that:

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Health Education Assistance Loan (‘HEAL’) program under title VII, part A, subpart I of the PHS [Public Health Service] Act [42 U.S.C. 292 et seq.], and the authority to administer such program, including servicing, collecting, and enforcing any loans that were made under such program that remain outstanding, shall be permanently transferred from the Secretary of Health and Human Services to the Secretary of Education no later than the end of the first fiscal quarter that begins after the date of enactment of this Act [Jan. 17, 2014].

“(b) TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS, ASSETS, AND LIABILITIES.—The functions, assets, and liabilities of the Secretary of Health and Human Services relating to such program shall be transferred to the Secretary of Education.

“(c) INTERDEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION OF TRANSFER.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Education shall carry out the transfer of the HEAL program described in subsection (a), including the transfer of the functions, assets, and liabilities specified in subsection (b), in the manner that they determine is most appropriate.

“(d) USE OF AUTHORITIES UNDER HEA OF 1965.—In servicing, collecting, and enforcing the loans described in subsection (a), the Secretary of Education shall have available any and all authorities available to such Secretary in servicing, collecting, or enforcing a loan made, insured, or guaranteed under part B of title IV of the HEA [Higher Education Act] of 1965 [20 U.S.C. 1071 et seq.].

“(e) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—[Amended section 292o of this title.]”

##### STUDY ON EFFECTIVENESS OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS PROGRAMS

Pub. L. 102-408, title III, § 309, Oct. 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 2089, directed the Comptroller General to conduct a study of the programs carried out under this subchapter and subchapter VI of this chapter for the purpose of determining the effectiveness of such programs in increasing the number of primary care providers (physicians, physician assistants, nurse midwives, nurse practitioners and general dentists), nurses and allied health personnel, improving the geographic distribution of health professionals in medically underserved and rural areas, and recruiting and retaining as students in health professions schools individuals who are members of a minority group, and report to the Congress not later than Jan. 1, 1994, on findings and recommendations made as a result of the study relevant to the reauthorization of such programs.

#### § 292a. Scope and duration of loan insurance program

##### (a) In general

The total principal amount of new loans made and installments paid pursuant to lines of credit