

(c) Definitions

For the purposes of this subsection,¹ the terms “Native Hawaiian”, “Native Hawaiian organization”, and “Native Hawaiian health center” have the meaning given such terms in section 11707 of this title.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XIX, §1953, as added Pub. L. 102-321, title II, §203(a), July 10, 1992, 106 Stat. 409; amended Pub. L. 114-255, div. B, title VIII, §8003(2), Dec. 13, 2016, 130 Stat. 1233.)

Editorial Notes**AMENDMENTS**

2016—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114-255 substituted “substance use disorder” for “substance abuse”.

§ 300x-64. Definitions**(a) Definitions for this subpart**

For purposes of this subpart:

(1) The term “program involved” means the program of grants established in section 300x or 300x-21 of this title, or both, as indicated by whether the State involved is receiving or is applying to receive a grant under section 300x or 300x-21 of this title, or both.

(2)(A) The term “funding agreement”, with respect to a grant under section 300x of this title, has the meaning given such term in section 300x-8 of this title.

(B) The term “funding agreement”, with respect to a grant under section 300x-21 of this title, has the meaning given such term in section 300x-34 of this title.

(b) Definitions for this part

For purposes of this part:

(1) The term “Comptroller General” means the Comptroller General of the United States.

(2) The term “State”, except as provided in sections 300x-7(c)(5) of this title and 300x-33(c)(5) of this title, means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, and each of the territories of the United States.

(3) The term “territories of the United States” means each of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, Palau, the Marshall Islands, and Micronesia.

(4) The term “interim services”, in the case of an individual in need of treatment for substance use disorders who has been denied admission to a program of such treatment on the basis of the lack of the capacity of the program to admit the individual, means services for reducing the adverse health effects of such disorders, for promoting the health of the individual, and for reducing the risk of transmission of disease, which services are provided until the individual is admitted to such a program.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XIX, §1954, as added Pub. L. 102-321, title II, §203(a), July 10, 1992, 106 Stat. 409; amended Pub. L. 117-328, div. FF, title I, §1241(a)(12), Dec. 29, 2022, 136 Stat. 5678.)

¹ So in original. Probably should be “section.”.

Editorial Notes**AMENDMENTS**

2022—Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 117-328 substituted “substance use disorders” for “substance abuse” and “such disorders” for “such abuse”.

§ 300x-65. Services provided by nongovernmental organizations**(a) Purposes**

The purposes of this section are—

(1) to prohibit discrimination against nongovernmental organizations and certain individuals on the basis of religion in the distribution of government funds to provide substance abuse services under this subchapter and subchapter III-A, and the receipt of services under such subchapters; and

(2) to allow the organizations to accept the funds to provide the services to the individuals without impairing the religious character of the organizations or the religious freedom of the individuals.

(b) Religious organizations included as nongovernmental providers**(1) In general**

A State may administer and provide substance abuse services under any program under this subchapter or subchapter III-A through grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements to provide assistance to beneficiaries under such subchapters with nongovernmental organizations.

(2) Requirement

A State that elects to utilize nongovernmental organizations as provided for under paragraph (1) shall consider, on the same basis as other nongovernmental organizations, religious organizations to provide services under substance abuse programs under this subchapter or subchapter III-A, so long as the programs under such subchapters are implemented in a manner consistent with the Establishment Clause of the first amendment to the Constitution. Neither the Federal Government nor a State or local government receiving funds under such programs shall discriminate against an organization that provides services under, or applies to provide services under, such programs, on the basis that the organization has a religious character.

(c) Religious character and independence**(1) In general**

A religious organization that provides services under any substance abuse program under this subchapter or subchapter III-A shall retain its independence from Federal, State, and local governments, including such organization's control over the definition, development, practice, and expression of its religious beliefs.

(2) Additional safeguards

Neither the Federal Government nor a State or local government shall require a religious organization—

(A) to alter its form of internal governance; or