Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education Program Update

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Section 749a of the PHSA

SEC. 749A 293I–1 TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS DEVELOPMENT GRANTS.

(a) PROGRAM AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary may award grants under this section to teaching health centers for the purpose of establishing new accredited or expanded primary care residency programs.

(b) AMOUNT AND DURATION.—Grants awarded under this section shall be for a term of not more than 3 years and the maximum award may not be more than $500,000.

(c) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts provided under a grant under this section shall be used to cover the costs of—

(1) establishing or expanding a primary care residency training program described in subsection (a), including costs associated with—

(A) curriculum development;

(B) recruitment, training and retention of residents and faculty:

(C) accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), the American Dental Association (ADA), or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA); and

(D) faculty salaries during the development phase; and

(2) technical assistance provided by an eligible entity

Section 749a of the PHSA (cont.)

(d) APPLICATION.—A teaching health center seeking a grant under this section shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(e) PREFERENCE FOR CERTAIN APPLICATIONS.—In selecting recipients for grants under this section, the Secretary shall give preference to any such application that documents an existing affiliation agreement with an area health education center program as defined in sections 751 and 799B.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term "eligible entity" means an organization capable of providing technical assistance including an area health education center program as defined in sections 751 and 799B.

(2) PRIMARY CARE RESIDENCY PROGRAM.—The term "primary care residency program" means an approved graduate medical residency training program (as defined in section 340H) in family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine-pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, psychiatry, general dentistry, pediatric dentistry, and geriatrics.

Section 749a of the PHSA (cont.)

(3) TEACHING HEALTH CENTER.—
    (A) IN GENERAL.—The term "teaching health center"
    means an entity that—
    (i) is a community based, ambulatory patient care
    center; and
    (ii) operates a primary care residency program.
(B) INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ENTITIES.—Such term includes
the following:
    (i) A Federally qualified health center (as defined
    in section 1905(I)(2)(B), of the Social Security Act).
    (ii) A community mental health center (as defined
    in section 1861(ff)(3)(B) of the Social Security Act).
    (iii) A rural health clinic, as defined in section
    1861(aa) of the Social Security Act.
    (iv) A health center operated by the Indian Health
    Service, an Indian tribe or tribal organization, or an
    urban Indian organization (as defined in section 4 of
    the Indian Health Care Improvement Act).
    (v) An entity receiving funds under title X of the
    Public Health Service Act.
(g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized
to be appropriated, $25,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, $50,000,000
for fiscal year 2011, $50,000,000 for fiscal year 2012, and such
sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year thereafter to carry
out this section. Not to exceed $5,000,000 annually may be used for
technical assistance program grants.

Section 2064 of the Rescue Act

H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

SEC. 2604. FUNDING FOR TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS THAT OPERATE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts otherwise available,and notwithstanding the capped amount referenced in sections 340H(b)(2) and 340H(d)(2) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h(b)(2) and (d)(2)), there is appropriated to the Secretary for fiscal year 2021, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, $330,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2023, for the program of payments to teaching health centers that operate graduate medical education under section 340H of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h) and for teaching health center development grants authorized under section 749A of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 293l–1).

(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts made available pursuant to subsection (a) shall be used for the following activities:

(1) For making payments to establish new approved graduate medical residency training programs pursuant to section 340H(a)(1)(C) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h(a)(1)(C)).

(2) To provide an increase to the per resident amount described in section 340H(a)(2) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h(a)(2)) of $10,000.

(3) For making payments under section 340H(a)(1)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h(a)(1)(A))) to qualified teaching health centers for maintenance of filled positions at existing approved graduate medical residency training programs.

(4) For making payments under section 340H(a)(1)(B) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h(a)(1)(B)) for the expansion of existing approved graduate medical residency training programs.

(5) For making awards under section 749A of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 293l–1) to teaching health centers for the purpose of establishing new accredited or expanded primary care residency programs.

(6) To cover administrative costs and activities necessary for qualified teaching health centers receiving payments under section 340H of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 256h) to carry out activities under such section.

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