“PART O—FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS
PREVENTION AND SERVICES PROGRAM

“SEC. 399H. FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS PREVENTION,
INTERVENTION. “

(a) IN GENERAL. —The Secretary shall establish or continue a comprehensive Fetal
Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (referred to in this section as ‘FASD’) awareness, prevention,
identification, intervention, and services delivery program which may include—

“(1) an education and public awareness program to support, conduct, and
evaluate the effectiveness of—

“(A) educational programs targeting health profession schools, social and
other supportive services, educators and counselors and other service providers in all phases of
childhood development, and other relevant service providers, concerning the prevention,
identification, and provision of services for infants, children, adolescents, and adults with FASD;

“(B) strategies to educate school-age children, including pregnant and
high risk youth, concerning FASD;

“(C) public and community awareness programs concerning FASD; and

“(D) strategies to coordinate information and services across affected
community agencies, including agencies providing health, social services such as foster care,
adoption, and social work, agencies providing and agencies involved in education, vocational
training and civil and criminal justice;

“(2) supporting and conducting research on FASD as appropriate, including to—

“(A) develop appropriate medical diagnostic methods for
identifying FASD; and

“(B) develop effective evidence-based services and interventions for
preventing prenatal alcohol exposure, which may co-occur with exposure to other substances;
“(3) integrating into surveillance practice an evidence-based standard case
definition for fetal alcohol syndrome and, in collaboration with other Federal and outside
partners, support organizations of appropriate medical and mental health professionals in their
development and refinement of evidence-based clinical diagnostic guidelines and criteria for all
fetal alcohol spectrum disorders; and,

“(4) building State and Tribal capacity for the identification, treatment, and
support of individuals with FASD and their families, which may include-
“(A) utilizing and adapting existing Federal, State or Tribal programs to
include FASD identification and FASD-informed support;
“(B) developing and expanding screening and diagnostic capacity for
FASD;
“(C) developing, implementing, and evaluating targeted FASD-informed
intervention programs for FASD;
“(D) increasing awareness of FASD;
“(E) providing training with respect to FASD for professionals across
relevant sectors,
“(F) disseminating information about FASD and support services to
affected individuals and their families”;

“(b) GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. —
(1) IN GENERAL. – The Secretary may award grants, cooperative agreements
and contracts and provide technical assistance to eligible entities to carry out subsection (a).
(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES. – To be eligible to receive a grant, or enter into a
cooperative agreement or contract under this section, an entity shall-
(A) be a State, Indian Tribe or Tribal organization, local government,
scientific or academic institution, or nonprofit organization; and
(B) prepare and submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in
such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a
description of the activities that the entity intends to carry out using the amounts received under
this section.

“(c) DEFINITION OF FASD-INFORMED. – For purposes of this section, the term of
‘FASD-informed’, with respect to support or an intervention program, means that such support
or intervention program uses culturally and linguistically informed evidence-based or practice-
based interventions and appropriate societal supports to support an improved quality of life for
an individual with FASD and the family of such individual.”.

“SEC. 399I. FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS CENTERS FOR
EXCELLENCE.

“(a) In General.—The Secretary shall, as appropriate, award grants, cooperative
agreements, or contracts to public or nonprofit entities with demonstrated expertise in the
prevention of, identification of, and intervention services with respect to, fetal alcohol spectrum
disorders (referred to in this section as ‘FASD’) and other related adverse conditions. Such
awards shall be for the purposes of establishing Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Centers for
Excellence to build local, Tribal, State, and national capacities to prevent the occurrence of
FASD and other related adverse conditions, and to respond to the needs of individuals with
FASD and their families by carrying out the programs described in subsection (b).

“(b) Programs.—An entity receiving an award under subsection (a) may use such award
for the following purposes:

“(1) Initiating or expanding diagnostic capacity for FASD by increasing
screening, assessment, identification, and diagnosis.

“(2) Developing and supporting public awareness and outreach activities,
including the use of a range of media and public outreach, to raise public awareness of the risks
associated with alcohol consumption during pregnancy, with the goals of reducing the
prevalence of FASD and improving the developmental, health (including mental health), and
educational outcomes of individuals with FASD and supporting families caring for individuals with FASD.

“(3) Acting as a clearinghouse for evidence-based resources on FASD prevention, identification, and culturally aware best practices, including the maintenance of a national data-based directory on FASD-specific services in States, Indian Tribes, and local communities, and disseminating ongoing research and developing resources on FASD to help inform systems of care for individuals with FASD across their lifespan.

“(4) Increasing awareness and understanding of efficacious, evidence-based FASD screening tools and culturally- and linguistically-appropriate evidence-based intervention services and best practices, which may include by conducting national, regional, State, Tribal, or peer cross-State webinars, workshops, or conferences for training community leaders, medical and mental health and substance use disorder professionals, education and disability professionals, families, law enforcement personnel, judges, individuals working in financial assistance programs, social service personnel, child welfare professionals, and other service providers.

“(5) Improving capacity for State, Tribal, and local affiliates dedicated to FASD awareness, prevention, and identification and family and individual support programs and services.

“(6) Providing technical assistance to grantees under section 399H, as appropriate.

“(7) Carrying out other functions, as appropriate.

“(c) APPLICATION. —To be eligible for a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under this section, an entity shall submit to the Secretary an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

“(d) SUBCONTRACTING. —A public or private nonprofit entity may carry out the following activities required under this section through contracts or cooperative agreements with other public and private nonprofit entities with demonstrated expertise in FASD:

“(1) Prevention activities.
“(2) Screening and identification.
“(3) Resource, development, dissemination, training, and technical assistance administration and support of FASD partner networks.
“(4) Intervention services.

“SEC. 399J. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

“There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2024 through 2028.”.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services 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 on the efforts of the Department of Health and Human Services to advance public awareness on, and facilitate the identification of best practices related to, fetal alcohol spectrum disorders identification, prevention, treatment, and support.