

Section 104 - SUPPORT Reauthorization Act (HR 2483)

FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IMPACTED BY FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part O of title III of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280f et seq.) is amended to read as follows:

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

“SEC. 399H. FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND SERVICES DELIVERY PROGRAM.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish or continue activities to support a comprehensive fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (referred to in this section as ‘FASD’) education, 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 professions 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 social services such as foster care, adoption, and social work, agencies providing health services, and agencies involved in education, vocational training, and civil and criminal justice;

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

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

3 “(B) develop effective culturally and linguistically appropriate
4 evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions and appropriate
5 supports for preventing prenatal alcohol exposure, which may co-occur
6 with exposure to other substances;

7 “(3) building State and Tribal capacity for the identification,
8 treatment, and support of individuals with FASD and their families, which may include—

9 “(A) utilizing and adapting existing Federal, State, or Tribal
10 programs to include FASD identification and FASD-informed support;

11 “(B) developing and expanding screening and diagnostic capacity
12 for FASD;

13 “(C) developing, implementing, and evaluating targeted FASD-
14 informed intervention programs for FASD;

15 “(D) providing training with respect to FASD for professionals
16 across relevant sectors; and

17 “(E) disseminating information about FASD and support services
18 to affected individuals and their families; and

19 “(4) an applied research program concerning intervention and prevention
20 to support and conduct service demonstration projects, clinical studies and other research
21 models providing advocacy, educational and vocational training, counseling, medical and
22 mental health, and other supportive services, as well as models that integrate and
23 coordinate such services, that are aimed at the unique challenges facing individuals with
24 fetal alcohol spectrum disorder or fetal alcohol effect and their families.

25 “(b) GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award grants, cooperative
2 agreements and contracts and provide technical assistance to eligible entities to
3 carry out subsection (a).

4 “(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—To be eligible to receive a grant, or enter
5 into a cooperative agreement or contract, under this section, an entity shall—

6 “(A) be a State, Indian Tribe or Tribal organization, local
7 government, scientific or academic institution, or nonprofit organization;
8 and

9 “(B) prepare and submit to the Secretary an application at such
10 time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary
11 may require, including a description of the activities that the entity
12 intends to carry out using amounts received under this section.

13 “(3) ADDITIONAL APPLICATION CONTENTS.—The Secretary may
14 require that an eligible entity include in the application submitted under paragraph
15 (2)(B)—

16 “(A) a designation of an individual to serve as a FASD State or
17 Tribal coordinator of activities such eligible entity proposes to carry out
18 through a grant, cooperative agreement, or contract under this section; and

19 “(B) a description of an advisory committee the entity will
20 establish to provide guidance for the entity on developing and
21 implementing a statewide or Tribal strategic plan to prevent FASD and
22 provide for the identification, treatment, and support of individuals with
23 FASD and their families.

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

1 **“SEC. 399I. STRENGTHENING CAPACITY AND EDUCATION FOR FETAL**
2 **ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS.**

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements, as
4 the Secretary determines appropriate, to public or nonprofit private entities with demonstrated
5 expertise in the field of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (referred to in this section as ‘FASD’).
6 Awards shall be for the purposes of building local, Tribal, State, and nationwide capacities to
7 prevent the occurrence of FASD by carrying out the programs described in subsection (b).

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

10 ‘(1) Developing and supporting public education and outreach activities to raise
11 public awareness of the risks associated with alcohol consumption during pregnancy.

12 “(2) Acting as a clearinghouse for evidence-based resources on FASD
13 prevention, identification, and culturally and linguistically appropriate best practices to
14 help inform systems of care for individuals with FASD across their lifespan.

15 ‘(3) Increasing awareness and understanding of efficacious, evidence-based
16 screening tools and culturally and linguistically appropriate evidence-based intervention
17 services and best practices, which may include improving the capacity for State, Tribal,
18 and local affiliates.

19 “(4) Providing technical assistance to recipients of grants, cooperative
20 agreements, or contracts under section 399H, as appropriate.

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

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

27 “(1) Resource development and dissemination.

1 “(2) Intervention services.

2 “(3) Training and technical assistance.

3 “**SEC. 399J. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.** “There are authorized to be
4 appropriated to carry out this part \$12,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2026 through 2030.”

5 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 4 years after the date of enactment of this Act, and every
6 year thereafter, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall prepare and submit to the
7 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on
8 Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives a report containing—

9 (1) a review of the activities carried out pursuant to sections 399H and 399I of
10 the Public Health Service Act, as amended, to advance public education and awareness
11 of fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (referred to in this section as “FASD”);

12 (2) a description of—

13 (A) the activities carried out pursuant to such sections 399H and 399I to
14 identify, prevent, and treat FASD; and

15 (B) methods used to evaluate the outcomes of such activities; and

16 (3) an assessment of activities carried out pursuant to such sections 399H and
17 399I to support individuals with FASD.