REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Elder Justice Act of 2009, referred to in subsec. (g)(2), is subtitle H (§§ 6701–6703) of title VI of Pub. L. 111–148, Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 782. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 2010 Amendment note set out under section 1305 of this title and Tables.

Section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (j), is section 14 of Pub. L. 92–463, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 1397k-2. Research protections

(a) Guidelines

The Secretary shall promulgate guidelines to assist researchers working in the area of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, with issues relating to human subject protections.

(b) Definition of legally authorized representative for application of regulations

For purposes of the application of subpart A of part 46 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, to research conducted under this subpart, the term "legally authorized representative" means, unless otherwise provided by law, the individual or judicial or other body authorized under the applicable law to consent to medical treatment on behalf of another person.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, §2023, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title VI, §6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 789.)

§ 1397k-3. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this subpart—

- (1) for fiscal year 2011, \$6,500,000; and
- (2) for each of fiscal years 2012 through 2014, \$7,000,000.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, 2024, as added Pub. L. 111–148, title VI, 6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 790.)

SUBPART B—ELDER ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION FORENSIC CENTERS

§ 13971. Establishment and support of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation forensic centers

(a) In general

The Secretary, in consultation with the Attorney General, shall make grants to eligible entities to establish and operate stationary and mobile forensic centers, to develop forensic expertise regarding, and provide services relating to, elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

(b) Stationary forensic centers

The Secretary shall make 4 of the grants described in subsection (a) to institutions of higher education with demonstrated expertise in forensics or commitment to preventing or treating elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation, to establish and operate stationary forensic centers.

(c) Mobile centers

The Secretary shall make 6 of the grants described in subsection (a) to appropriate entities to establish and operate mobile forensic centers.

(d) Authorized activities

(1) Development of forensic markers and methodologies

An eligible entity that receives a grant under this section shall use funds made available through the grant to assist in determining whether abuse, neglect, or exploitation occurred and whether a crime was committed and to conduct research to describe and disseminate information on—

- (A) forensic markers that indicate a case in which elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation may have occurred; and
- (B) methodologies for determining, in such a case, when and how health care, emergency service, social and protective services, and legal service providers should intervene and when the providers should report the case to law enforcement authorities.

(2) Development of forensic expertise

An eligible entity that receives a grant under this section shall use funds made available through the grant to develop forensic expertise regarding elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation in order to provide medical and forensic evaluation, therapeutic intervention, victim support and advocacy, case review, and case tracking.

(3) Collection of evidence

The Secretary, in coordination with the Attorney General, shall use data made available by grant recipients under this section to develop the capacity of geriatric health care professionals and law enforcement to collect forensic evidence, including collecting forensic evidence relating to a potential determination of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

(e) Application

To be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an entity shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(f) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

- (1) for fiscal year 2011, \$4,000,000;
- (2) for fiscal year 2012, \$6,000,000; and
- (3) for each of fiscal years 2013 and 2014, \$8,000,000.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, \$2031, as added Pub. L. 111–148, title VI, \$6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 790.)

PART II—PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE ELDER JUSTICE

§ 1397m. Enhancement of long-term care

(a) Grants and incentives for long-term care staffing

(1) In general

The Secretary shall carry out activities, including activities described in paragraphs (2) and (3), to provide incentives for individuals to train for, seek, and maintain employment providing direct care in long-term care.