

**(b) Purposes of Center**

The purposes of the Center are to—

- (1) provide specialized intensive services, or any other services, at the Center or anywhere else in the United States, which are necessary to encourage the maximum personal development of any individual who is deaf-blind;
- (2) train family members of individuals who are deaf-blind at the Center or anywhere else in the United States, in order to assist family members in providing and obtaining appropriate services for the individual who is deaf-blind;
- (3) train professionals and allied personnel at the Center or anywhere else in the United States to provide services to individuals who are deaf-blind; and
- (4) conduct applied research, development programs, and demonstrations with respect to communication techniques, teaching methods, aids and devices, and delivery of services.

(Pub. L. 98-221, title II, §203, Feb. 22, 1984, 98 Stat. 33; Pub. L. 102-569, title IX, §§902, 908, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4482, 4485.)

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (a), was in the original “this title”, meaning title II of Pub. L. 98-221, Feb. 22, 1984, 98 Stat. 32, which is classified generally to this chapter (§1901 et seq.). For complete classification of this title to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1901 of this title and Tables. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1984 Amendment note set out under section 701 of this title and Tables.

**AMENDMENTS**

1992—Pub. L. 102-569, §908(c)(2), amended section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-569, §§902(1)–(3), 908(c)(1), redesignated subsec. (b) as (a), substituted “Youths and Adults who are Deaf-Blind” for “Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults”, “prior to February 22, 1984” for “pursuant to section 313 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973”, and “subsection (b)” for “subsection (c)”, and struck out former subsec. (a) which repealed section 777c of this title.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 102-569, §§902(2), (4), 908(a), (b), redesignated subsec. (c) as (b), substituted “individual who is deaf-blind” for “deaf-blind individual” in par. (1), added par. (2), redesignated former par. (2) as (3) and substituted “individuals who are deaf-blind” for “deaf-blind individuals”, and redesignated former par. (3) as (4). Former subsec. (b) redesignated (a).

**§ 1903. Audit; monitoring and evaluation**

(a) The books and accounts of the Center shall be audited annually by an independent auditor in the manner prescribed by the Secretary and a report on each such audit shall be submitted by the auditor to the Secretary within 15 days following the completion of the audit and acceptance of the audit by the Center.

(b)(1) The Secretary shall establish procedures for monitoring, on a regular basis, the services performed and the training conducted by the Center.

(2) The Secretary shall, in addition to the regular monitoring required under paragraph (1), conduct an evaluation of the operation of the Center at the end of each fiscal year. A written report of such evaluation shall be submitted to the President, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, and the Secretary of the Senate

within one hundred and eighty days after the end of the fiscal year for which such evaluation was conducted. The first such report shall be submitted for fiscal year 1983.

(Pub. L. 98-221, title II, §204, Feb. 22, 1984, 98 Stat. 33; Pub. L. 102-569, title IX, §903, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4482.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-569 substituted “within 15 days following the completion of the audit and acceptance of the audit by the Center” for “at such time as the Secretary shall prescribe”.

**TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in subsec. (b)(2) of this section relating to submitting a written report to the Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 81 of House Document No. 103-7.

**§ 1904. Authorization of appropriations**

(a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this chapter such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1999 through 2003. Such sums shall remain available until expended.

(b) Any appropriation Act containing any appropriation authorized by subsection (a) of this section shall contain a statement of the specific amount being made available to the Center.

(Pub. L. 98-221, title II, §205, Feb. 22, 1984, 98 Stat. 33; Pub. L. 99-506, title IX, §901, Oct. 21, 1986, 100 Stat. 1840; Pub. L. 100-630, title V, §501, Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3317; Pub. L. 102-52, §9(a), June 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 263; Pub. L. 102-569, title IX, §904, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4482; Pub. L. 105-220, title IV, §412(a), Aug. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 1241.)

**AMENDMENTS**

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-220 substituted “1999 through 2003” for “1993 through 1997”.

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-569 substituted “1993 through 1997” for “1987 through 1992”.

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-52 substituted “1992” for “1991”.

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-630 substituted “1991” for “1990”.

1986—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-506 amended first sentence generally. Prior to amendment, first sentence read as follows: “There are authorized to be appropriated \$4,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, \$4,200,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and \$4,300,000 for the fiscal year 1986 to carry out the provisions of this chapter.”

**§ 1905. Definitions**

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) the terms “Helen Keller National Center for Youths and Adults who are Deaf-Blind” and “Center” mean the Helen Keller National Center for Youths and Adults who are Deaf-Blind, and its affiliated network, operated pursuant to this chapter;

(2) the term “individual who is deaf-blind” means any individual—

(A)(i) who has a central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective lenses, or a field defect such that the peripheral diameter of visual field subtends an an-