

1087e(m), 1078-10, 1078-11, 1078-12, or 1087j of title 20.

**(c) Contract**

The written contract (referred to in this section as the “written contract”) between the Secretary and an individual shall contain—

(1) an agreement on the part of the Secretary that the Secretary will repay on behalf of the individual loans incurred by the individual in the pursuit of the relevant degree or certificate in accordance with the terms of the contract;

(2) an agreement on the part of the individual that the individual will serve in the full-time employment of a Federal, State, local, or tribal public health agency or a related fellowship program in a position related to the course of study or program for which the contract was awarded for a period of time (referred to in this section as the “period of obligated service”) equal to the greater of—

(A) 3 years; or

(B) such longer period of time as determined appropriate by the Secretary and the individual;

(3) an agreement, as appropriate, on the part of the individual to relocate to a priority service area (as determined by the Secretary) in exchange for an additional loan repayment incentive amount to be determined by the Secretary;

(4) a provision that any financial obligation of the United States arising out of a contract entered into under this section and any obligation of the individual that is conditioned thereon, is contingent on funds being appropriated for loan repayments under this section;

(5) a statement of the damages to which the United States is entitled,<sup>1</sup> under this section for the individual’s breach of the contract; and

(6) such other statements of the rights and liabilities of the Secretary and of the individual, not inconsistent with this section.

**(d) Payments**

**(1) In general**

A loan repayment provided for an individual under a written contract under the Program shall consist of payment, in accordance with paragraph (2), on behalf of the individual of the principal, interest, and related expenses on government and commercial loans received by the individual regarding the undergraduate or graduate education of the individual (or both), which loans were made for tuition expenses incurred by the individual.

**(2) Payments for years served**

For each year of obligated service that an individual contracts to serve under subsection (c) the Secretary may pay up to \$35,000 on behalf of the individual for loans described in paragraph (1). With respect to participants under the Program whose total eligible loans are less than \$105,000, the Secretary shall pay an amount that does not exceed  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the eligible loan balance for each year of obligated service of the individual.

**(3) Tax liability**

For the purpose of providing reimbursements for tax liability resulting from payments under paragraph (2) on behalf of an individual, the Secretary shall, in addition to such payments, make payments to the individual in an amount not to exceed 39 percent of the total amount of loan repayments made for the taxable year involved.

**(e) Postponing obligated service**

With respect to an individual receiving a degree or certificate from a health professions or other related school, the date of the initiation of the period of obligated service may be postponed as approved by the Secretary.

**(f) Breach of contract**

An individual who fails to comply with the contract entered into under subsection (c) shall be subject to the same financial penalties as provided for under section 254o of this title for breaches of loan repayment contracts under section 254f-1 of this title.

**(g) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$195,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2015.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §776, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title V, §5204, Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 609.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 295f-1, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §771, as added Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title V, §502, 90 Stat. 2293; amended Aug. 1, 1977, Pub. L. 95-83, title III, §307(i), 91 Stat. 391; Dec. 19, 1977, Pub. L. 95-215, §§1(a), 2, 91 Stat. 1503, 1504; Nov. 9, 1978, Pub. L. 95-623, §§11(g), 12(d), 92 Stat. 3456, 3457; Sept. 29, 1979, Pub. L. 96-76, title II, §207, 93 Stat. 583; Aug. 13, 1981, Pub. L. 97-35, title XXVII, §2746(a)(2), 95 Stat. 927; Oct. 22, 1985, Pub. L. 99-129, title II, §211(b), 99 Stat. 539, related to eligibility for capitation grants, prior to repeal by act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §773, as added Nov. 4, 1988, Pub. L. 100-607, title VI, §606(b), 102 Stat. 3127, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Another prior section 295f-1, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §771, as added Oct. 22, 1965, Pub. L. 89-290, §2(a), 79 Stat. 1052; amended Aug. 16, 1968, Pub. L. 90-490, title I, §111(a), 82 Stat. 775; Nov. 2, 1970, Pub. L. 91-519, title I, §101(a), 84 Stat. 1343; Nov. 18, 1971, Pub. L. 92-157, title I, §104(a), 85 Stat. 443; Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title I, §101(l), 90 Stat. 2245, authorized start-up assistance, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94-484, title V, §502, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2293, effective with respect to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1977.

A prior section 776 of act July 1, 1944, was renumbered section 2692 and is classified to section 300ff-111 of this title.

Another prior section 776 of act July 1, 1944, was renumbered section 789, and was classified to section 295g-9 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 99-129, title II, §220(g), Oct. 22, 1985, 99 Stat. 544.

**§ 295f-2. Training for mid-career public and allied health professionals**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may make grants to, or enter into contracts with, any eligible entity to award scholarships to eligible individuals to enroll in degree or professional training programs for the purpose of enabling mid-career professionals in

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The comma probably should not appear.

the public health and allied health workforce to receive additional training in the field of public health and allied health.

**(b) Eligibility**

**(1) Eligible entity**

The term “eligible entity” indicates an accredited educational institution that offers a course of study, certificate program, or professional training program in public or allied health or a related discipline, as determined by the Secretary<sup>1</sup>

**(2) Eligible individuals**

The term “eligible individuals” includes those individuals employed in public and allied health positions at the Federal, State, tribal, or local level who are interested in retaining or upgrading their education.

**(c) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2015. Fifty percent of appropriated funds shall be allotted to public health mid-career professionals and 50 percent shall be allotted to allied health mid-career professionals.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §777, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title V, §5206(b), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 612.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 295f-2, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §772, formerly §775, as added Nov. 18, 1971, Pub. L. 92-157, title I, §104(a), 85 Stat. 448; renumbered §772 and amended Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title V, §503(a), 90 Stat. 2300; Dec. 19, 1977, Pub. L. 95-215, §§1(b), 8(c), 91 Stat. 1504, 1507; Nov. 9, 1978, Pub. L. 95-623, §12(j), 92 Stat. 3457; Oct. 22, 1985, Pub. L. 99-129, title II, §211(c), 99 Stat. 539, related to applications for capitation grants, prior to repeal by act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §773, as added Nov. 4, 1988, Pub. L. 100-607, title VI, §606(b), 102 Stat. 3127, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Another prior section 295f-2, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §772, as added Oct. 22, 1965, Pub. L. 89-290, §2(a), 79 Stat. 1053; amended Aug. 16, 1968, Pub. L. 90-490, title I, §111(a), (e), 82 Stat. 776, 777; Nov. 2, 1970, Pub. L. 91-519, title I, §102(a), 84 Stat. 1343; Nov. 18, 1971, Pub. L. 92-157, title I, §104(a), 85 Stat. 444; Nov. 16, 1973, Pub. L. 93-154, §3(b), 87 Stat. 604; July 12, 1974, Pub. L. 93-348, title II, §215, 88 Stat. 354; Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title I, §101(m), 90 Stat. 2245, provided special project grants and contracts, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94-484, title V, §502, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2293, effective with respect to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1977.

A prior section 777 of act July 1, 1944, was classified to section 294o of this title prior to the general amendment of this part by Pub. L. 105-392.

**§ 295f-3. Fellowship training in applied public health epidemiology, public health laboratory science, public health informatics, and expansion of the Epidemic Intelligence Service**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may carry out activities to address documented workforce shortages in State and local health departments in the critical

areas of applied public health epidemiology and public health laboratory science and informatics and may expand the Epidemic Intelligence Service.

**(b) Specific uses**

In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall provide for the expansion of existing fellowship programs operated through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in a manner that is designed to alleviate shortages of the type described in subsection (a).

**(c) Other programs**

The Secretary may provide for the expansion of other applied epidemiology training programs that meet objectives similar to the objectives of the programs described in subsection (b).

**(d) Work obligation**

Participation in fellowship training programs under this section shall be deemed to be service for purposes of satisfying work obligations stipulated in contracts under section 254q-1(j) of this title.

**(e) General support**

Amounts may be used from grants awarded under this section to expand the Public Health Informatics Fellowship Program at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to better support all public health systems at all levels of government.

**(f) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$39,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2013, of which—

(1) \$5,000,000 shall be made available in each such fiscal year for epidemiology fellowship training program activities under subsections (b) and (c);

(2) \$5,000,000 shall be made available in each such fiscal year for laboratory fellowship training programs under subsection (b);

(3) \$5,000,000 shall be made available in each such fiscal year for the Public Health Informatics Fellowship Program under subsection (e); and

(4) \$24,500,000 shall be made available for expanding the Epidemic Intelligence Service under subsection (a).

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §778, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title V, §5314, Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 636.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 295f-3, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §773, as added Nov. 4, 1988, Pub. L. 100-607, title VI, §606(b), 102 Stat. 3127, provided for repeal of former part D of this subchapter, effective Oct. 1, 1990, prior to repeal by act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §773, as added Nov. 4, 1988, Pub. L. 100-607, title VI, §606(b), 102 Stat. 3127, effective Oct. 1, 1990.

Another prior section 295f-3, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, §773, as added Oct. 22, 1965, Pub. L. 89-290, §2(a), 79 Stat. 1053; amended Aug. 16, 1968, Pub. L. 90-490, title I, §111(b), 82 Stat. 776; Nov. 18, 1971, Pub. L. 92-157, title I, §104(a), 85 Stat. 446; July 12, 1974, Pub. L. 93-348, title I, §106, 88 Stat. 347; Oct. 12, 1976, Pub. L. 94-484, title I, §101(n), 90 Stat. 2245, authorized grants to assist health professions schools which were in financial distress, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 94-484, title V, §502, Oct. 12, 1976, 90 Stat. 2293, effective with respect to fiscal years beginning after Sept. 30, 1977.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be followed by a period.