plication to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may require, including a proposal for the evaluation.

#### (5) Reports

Not later than a date specified by the Secretary, an eligible entity receiving assistance under paragraph (1)(B) shall submit to the Secretary, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a report containing the results of the evaluation conducted using such assistance together with such recommendations as the entity determines to be appropriate.

## (c) Evaluations and audits of certified EHR technology grant program by the Secretary

## (1) Evaluations

The Secretary shall conduct an evaluation of the activities funded under the certified EHR technology grant program under section 1397m(b) of this title. Such evaluation shall include an evaluation of whether the funding provided under the grant is expended only for the purposes for which it is made.

#### (2) Audits

The Secretary shall conduct appropriate audits of grants made under section 1397m(b) of this title

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, §2044, as added Pub. L. 111–148, title VI, §6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 796.)

## §1397m-4. Report

Not later than October 1, 2014, the Secretary shall submit to the Elder Justice Coordinating Council established under section 1397k of this title, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a report—

- (1) compiling, summarizing, and analyzing the information contained in the State reports submitted under subsections (b)(4) and (c)(4) of section 1397m-1 of this title; and
- (2) containing such recommendations for legislative or administrative action as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, \$2045, as added Pub. L. 111–148, title VI, \$6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 797.)

### §1397m-5. Rule of construction

Nothing in this division shall be construed as—

- (1) limiting any cause of action or other relief related to obligations under this division that is available under the law of any State, or political subdivision thereof; or
- (2) creating a private cause of action for a violation of this division.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XX, §2046, as added Pub. L. 111–148, title VI, §6703(a)(1)(C), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 798.)

# SUBCHAPTER XXI—STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

# §1397aa. Purpose; State child health plans

#### (a) Purpose

The purpose of this subchapter is to provide funds to States to enable them to initiate and expand the provision of child health assistance to uninsured, low-income children in an effective and efficient manner that is coordinated with other sources of health benefits coverage for children. Such assistance shall be provided primarily for obtaining health benefits coverage through—

- (1) obtaining coverage that meets the requirements of section 1397cc of this title, or
- (2) providing benefits under the State's medicaid plan under subchapter XIX of this chapter.

or a combination of both.

## (b) State child health plan required

A State is not eligible for payment under section 1397ee of this title unless the State has submitted to the Secretary under section 1397ff of this title a plan that—

- (1) sets forth how the State intends to use the funds provided under this subchapter to provide child health assistance to needy children consistent with the provisions of this subchapter, and
- (2) has been approved under section 1397ff of this title.

#### (c) State entitlement

This subchapter constitutes budget authority in advance of appropriations Acts and represents the obligation of the Federal Government to provide for the payment to States of amounts provided under section 1397dd of this title.

## (d) Effective date

No State is eligible for payments under section 1397ee of this title for child health assistance for coverage provided for periods beginning before October 1, 1997.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XXI, §2101, as added Pub. L. 105–33, title IV, §4901(a), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 552.)

REFERENCES TO SCHIP AND STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Pub. L. 106–113, div. B, \$1000(a)(6) [title VII, \$704], Nov. 29, 1999, 113 Stat. 1536, 1501A–402, which provided that, in official communications concerning this subchapter, the terms "SCHIP" and "State children's health insurance program" were to be used instead of "CHIP" and "children's health insurance program", respectively, was repealed by Pub. L. 111–3, title VI, §612, Feb. 4, 2009, 123 Stat. 101.

# § 1397bb. General contents of State child health plan; eligibility; outreach

# (a) General background and description

- A State child health plan shall include a description, consistent with the requirements of this subchapter, of—
  - (1) the extent to which, and manner in which, children in the State, including targeted low-income children and other classes of children classified by income and other rel-