Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11432(g)(1)(J)(ii)), to assure that runaway and homeless youth are provided information about the educational services available to such youth under subtitle B of title VII of that Act [42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.]; and

(16) to develop an adequate emergency preparedness and management plan.

(b) Priority

In selecting eligible applicants to receive grants under this part, the Secretary shall give priority to entities that have experience in providing to homeless youth shelter and services of the types described in subsection (a)(1) of this section.

(c) Definition

In this part—

(1) the term "maternity group home" means a community-based, adult-supervised transitional living arrangement that provides pregnant or parenting youth and their children with a supportive and supervised living arrangement in which such pregnant or parenting youth are required to learn parenting skills, including child development, family budgeting, health and nutrition, and other skills to promote their long-term economic independence in order to ensure the well-being of their children; and

(2) the term "exceptional circumstances" means circumstances in which a youth would benefit to an unusual extent from additional time in the program.

(Pub. L. 93–415, title III, §322, as added Pub. L. 100–690, title VII, §7273(f), Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4456; amended Pub. L. 102–586, §3(f), Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5022; Pub. L. 106–71, §3(f), Oct. 12, 1999, 113 Stat. 1038; Pub. L. 108–96, title I, §\$107, 108, 110, 111, Oct. 10, 2003, 117 Stat. 1168, 1169; Pub. L. 110–378, §4, Oct. 8, 2008, 122 Stat. 4069.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998, referred to in subsec. (a)(7), is Pub. L. 105-220, Aug. 7, 1998, 112 Stat. 936, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 9201 of Title 20, Education, and Tables.

The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, referred to in subsec. (a)(7), is Pub. L. 104–193, Aug. 22, 1996, 110 Stat. 2105, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 1996 Amendments note set out under section 1305 of this title and Tables.

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (a)(15), is Pub. L. 100–77, July 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 482, as amended. Subtitle B of title VII of the Act is classified generally to part B (§11431 et seq.) of subchapter VI of chapter 119 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 11301 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 110–378, §4(a)(1), substituted "by grant, agreement, or contract, shelter" for "directly or indirectly, shelter" and "and provide, by grant, agreement, or contract, services," for "and services".

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 110-378, §4(a)(2), substituted "a continuous period not to exceed 540 days, or in exceptional circumstances 635 days, except that a youth in a program under this part who has not reached 18 years

of age on the last day of the 635-day period may, in exceptional circumstances and if otherwise qualified for the program, remain in the program until the youth's 18th birthday;" for "a continuous period not to exceed 540 days, except that a youth in a program under this part who is under the age of 18 years on the last day of the 540-day period may, if otherwise qualified for the program, remain in the program until the earlier of the youth's 18th birthday or the 180th day after the end of the 540-day period;".

Subsec. (a)(16). Pub. L. 110–378, $\S4(a)(3)$ –(5), added par. (16).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 110–378, §4(b), substituted "part—" for "part,", inserted par. (1) designation before "the term", substituted "; and" for period at end, and added par. (2).

2003—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 108–96, §107(a), inserted "including maternity group homes," after "group homes," and "parenting skills (as appropriate)," after "use of credit.".

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 108–96, §108, inserted ", except that a youth in a program under this part who is under the age of 18 years on the last day of the 540-day period may, if otherwise qualified for the program, remain in the program until the earlier of the youth's 18th birth-day or the 180th day after the end of the 540-day period" after "days".

Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 108–96, §111, amended par. (7) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (7) read as follows: "to develop an adequate plan to ensure proper referral of homeless youth to social service, law enforcement, educational, vocational, training, welfare, legal service, and health care programs and to help integrate and coordinate such services for youths;".

Subsec. (a)(15). Pub. L. 108-96, §110, added par. (15).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108–96, §107(b), added subsec. (c). 1999—Subsec. (a)(9). Pub. L. 106–71 inserted ", and the services provided to such youth by such project," after "participate in such project".

1992—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 102–586, §3(f)(1), inserted "which shall include money management, budgeting, consumer education, and use of credit" after "basic life skills".

Subsec. (a)(13). Pub. L. 102-586, §3(f)(2), substituted "informed consent of the individual youth" for "consent of the individual youth and parent or legal guardian" and struck out "or a government agency involved in the disposition of criminal charges against youth" after "statistical records".

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1988, see section 7296(a) of Pub. L. 100-690, set out as an Effective Date of 1988 Amendment note under section 5601 of this title.

PART C-NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

§ 5714-11. Authority to make grants

The Secretary shall make grants for a national communication system to assist runaway and homeless youth in communicating with their families and with service providers. The Secretary shall give priority to grant applicants that have experience in providing telephone services to runaway and homeless youth.

(Pub. L. 93–415, title III, $\S 331$, as added Pub. L. 102–586, $\S 3(g)(1)(C)$, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5022; amended Pub. L. 106–71, $\S 3(r)(1)$, Oct. 12, 1999, 113 Stat. 1043.)

AMENDMENTS

1999—Pub. L. 106-71 substituted "The Secretary" for "With funds reserved under section 5751(a)(3) of this title, the Secretary" in first sentence.

PART D—COORDINATING, TRAINING, RESEARCH, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

§ 5714-21. Coordination

With respect to matters relating to the health, education, employment, and housing of runaway and homeless youth, the Secretary—

- (1) in conjunction with the Attorney General, shall coordinate the activities of agencies of the Department of Health and Human Services with activities under any other Federal juvenile crime control, prevention, and juvenile offender accountability program and with the activities of other Federal entities;
- (2) shall coordinate the activities of agencies of the Department of Health and Human Services with the activities of other Federal entities and with the activities of entities that are eligible to receive grants under this subchapter; and
- (3) shall consult, as appropriate, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to ensure coordination of programs and services for homeless youth.

(Pub. L. 93–415, title III, $\S341$, as added Pub. L. 102–586, $\S3(g)(1)(C)$, Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5023; amended Pub. L. 106–71, $\S3(g)$, Oct. 12, 1999, 113 Stat. 1038; Pub. L. 108–96, title I, $\S112$, Oct. 10, 2003, 117 Stat. 1169.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 341 of Pub. L. 93-415 was renumbered section 380 and is classified to section 5714a of this title

AMENDMENTS

2003—Par. (3). Pub. L. 108-96 added par. (3).

1999—Pub. L. 106—71 amended section catchline and text generally. Prior to amendment, text read as follows: "With respect to matters relating to the health, education, employment, and housing of runaway and homeless youth, the Secretary shall coordinate the activities of agencies of the Department of Health and Human Services with the activities of other Federal entities and with the activities of entities that are eligible to receive grants under this subchapter".

§ 5714-22. Grants for technical assistance and training

The Secretary may make grants to statewide and regional nonprofit organizations (and combinations of such organizations) to provide technical assistance and training to public and private entities (and combinations of such entities) that are eligible to receive grants under this subchapter, for the purpose of carrying out the programs, projects, or activities for which such grants are made.

(Pub. L. 93–415, title III, \$342, as added Pub. L. 102–586, \$3(g)(1)(C), Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5023.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 342 of Pub. L. 93-415 was renumbered section 381 and is classified to section 5714b of this title

§ 5714-23. Authority to make grants for research, evaluation, demonstration, and service projects

(a) Authorization; purposes

The Secretary may make grants to States, localities, and private entities (and combinations

of such entities) to carry out research, evaluation, demonstration, and service projects regarding activities under this subchapter designed to increase knowledge concerning, and to improve services for, runaway youth and homeless youth.

(b) Selection factors; priority

In selecting among applications for grants under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall give priority to proposed projects relating to—

- (1) youth who repeatedly leave and remain away from their homes;
- (2) transportation of runaway youth and homeless youth in connection with services authorized to be provided under this subchapter;
- (3) the special needs of runaway youth and homeless youth programs in rural areas;
- (4) the special needs of programs that place runaway youth and homeless youth in host family homes;
 - (5) staff training in—
 - (A) the behavioral and emotional effects of sexual abuse and assault;
 - (B) responding to youth who are showing effects of sexual abuse and assault; and
 - (C) agency-wide strategies for working with runaway and homeless youth who have been sexually victimized;
- (6) innovative methods of developing resources that enhance the establishment or operation of runaway and homeless youth centers:
- (7) training for runaway youth and homeless youth, and staff training, related to preventing and obtaining treatment for infection by the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV);
- (8) increasing access to quality health care (including behavioral health care) for runaway youth and homeless youth;
- (9) increasing access to education for runaway youth and homeless youth, including access to educational and workforce programs to achieve outcomes such as decreasing secondary school dropout rates, increasing rates of attaining a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent, or increasing placement and retention in postsecondary education or advanced workforce training programs; and
- (10) providing programs, including innovative programs, that assist youth in obtaining and maintaining safe and stable housing, and which may include programs with supportive services that continue after the youth complete the remainder of the programs.

(c) Applicant experience and diversity

In selecting among applicants for grants under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

- (1) give priority to applicants who have experience working with runaway or homeless youth; and
 - (2) ensure that the applicants selected—
 - (A) represent diverse geographic regions of the United States; and
 - (B) carry out projects that serve diverse populations of runaway or homeless youth.

(Pub. L. 93–415, title III, \$343, as added Pub. L. 102-586, \$3(g)(1)(C), Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5023;