

§ 2403. Definitions

For purposes of this chapter—

(1) The term “agency” means the local administrative entity of the Bureau of Indian Affairs serving one or more Indian tribes within a defined geographic area.

(2) The term “youth” shall have the meaning given it in any particular Tribal Action Plan adopted pursuant to section 2411 of this title, except that, for purposes of statistical reporting under this chapter, it shall mean a person who is 19 years or younger or who is in attendance at a secondary school.

(3) The term “Indian tribe” means any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community of Indians (including any Alaska Native village or regional or village corporation as defined in, or established pursuant to, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)) which is recognized as eligible for special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians.

(4) The term “prevention and treatment” includes, as appropriate—

(A) efforts to identify, and the identification of, Indians who are at risk with respect to, or who are abusers of, alcohol or controlled substances,

(B) intervention into cases of on-going alcohol and substance abuse to halt a further progression of such abuse,

(C) prevention through education and the provision of alternative activities,

(D) treatment for alcohol and substance abusers to help abstain from, and alleviate the effects of, abuse,

(E) rehabilitation to provide on-going assistance, either on an inpatient or outpatient basis, to help Indians reform or abstain from alcohol or substance abuse,

(F) follow-up or after-care to provide the appropriate counseling and assistance on an outpatient basis, and

(G) referral to other sources of assistance or resources.

(5) The term “service unit” means an administrative entity within the Indian Health Service or a tribe or tribal organization operating health care programs or facilities with funds from the Indian Health Service under the Indian Self-Determination Act [25 U.S.C. 450f et seq.] through which the services are provided, directly or by contract, to the eligible Indian population within a defined geographic area.

(6) The terms “Urban Indian”, “Urban Center”, and “Urban Indian Organization” shall have the same meaning as provided in section 1603 of this title.

(Pub. L. 99-570, title IV, § 4204, Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3207-138; Pub. L. 100-690, title II, § 2202, Nov. 18, 1988, 102 Stat. 4217.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, referred to in par. (3), is Pub. L. 92-203, Dec. 18, 1971, 85 Stat. 688, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 33 (§ 1601 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of Title 43 and Tables.

The Indian Self-Determination Act, referred to in par. (5), is title I of Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2206, as amended, which is classified principally to part A (§ 450f et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 14 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

1988—Par. (6). Pub. L. 100-690 added par. (6).

SUBCHAPTER II—COORDINATION OF RESOURCES AND PROGRAMS

§ 2411. Inter-departmental Memorandum of Agreement**(a) In general**

Not later than 1 year after July 29, 2010, the Secretary of the Interior, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall develop and enter into a Memorandum of Agreement which shall, among other things—

(1) determine and define the scope of the problem of alcohol and substance abuse for Indian tribes and their members and its financial and human costs, and specifically identify such problems affecting Indian youth,

(2) identify—

(A) the resources and programs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Programs, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and Indian Health Service, and

(B) other Federal, tribal, State and local, and private resources and programs,

which would be relevant to a coordinated effort to combat alcohol and substance abuse among Indian people, including those programs and resources made available by this chapter,

(3) develop and establish appropriate minimum standards for each agency’s program responsibilities under the Memorandum of Agreement which may be—

(A) the existing Federal or State standards in effect, or

(B) in the absence of such standards, new standards which will be developed and established in consultation with Indian tribes,

(4) coordinate the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Justice, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and Indian Health Service alcohol and substance abuse programs existing on October 27, 1986, with programs or efforts established by this chapter,

(5) delineate the responsibilities of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Justice, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Indian Health Service to coordinate alcohol and substance abuse-related services at the central, area, agency, and service unit levels,

(6) direct Bureau of Indian Affairs agency and education superintendents, where appropriate, and the Indian Health Service service unit directors to cooperate fully with tribal requests made pursuant to section 2412 of this title, and

(7) provide for an annual review of such agreements by the Secretary of the Interior,

the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

(b) Character of activities

To the extent that there are new activities undertaken pursuant to this chapter, those activities shall supplement, not supplant, activities, programs, and local actions that are ongoing on October 27, 1986. Such activities shall be undertaken in the manner least disruptive to tribal control, in accordance with the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), and local control, in accordance with section 2010¹ of this title.

(c) Consultation

The Secretary of the Interior, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall, in developing the Memorandum of Agreement under subsection (a) of this section, consult with and solicit the comments of—

- (1) interested Indian tribes,
- (2) Indian individuals,
- (3) Indian organizations, and
- (4) professionals in the treatment of alcohol and substance abuse.

(d) Publication

The Memorandum of Agreement under subsection (a) of this section shall be submitted to Congress and published in the Federal Register not later than 130 days after July 29, 2010. At the same time as publication in the Federal Register, the Secretary of the Interior shall provide a copy of this chapter and the Memorandum of Agreement under subsection (a) of this section to each Indian tribe.

(Pub. L. 99-570, title IV, § 4205, Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3207-139; Pub. L. 111-211, title II, § 241(a)(1), July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2287.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (b), is Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, as amended, which is classified principally to subchapter II (§ 450 et seq.) of chapter 14 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of this title and Tables.

Section 2010 of this title, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original a reference to section 1130 of the Education Amendments of 1978, Pub. L. 95-561. Section 1130 of Pub. L. 95-561 was omitted in the general amendment of chapter 22 (§ 2001 et seq.) of this title by Pub. L. 103-382, title III, § 381, Oct. 20, 1994, 108 Stat. 3979. Pub. L. 103-382 enacted a new section 1130 of Pub. L. 95-561, relating to uniform direct funding and support, which is classified to section 2010 of this title. Provisions relating to Indian control of Indian education are now contained in section 2011 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2010—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(A)(i), in introductory provisions, substituted “Not later than 1 year after July 29, 2010” for “Not later than 120 days after October 27, 1986” and inserted “, the Attorney General,” after “Secretary of the Interior”.

Subsec. (a)(2)(A). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(A)(ii), which directed insertion of “, Office of Justice Programs, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration,” after “Bureau of Indian Affairs,” was executed by making the insertion after “Bureau of Indian Affairs” to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Subsec. (a)(4), (5). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(A)(iii), (iv), inserted “, Department of Justice, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration,” after “Bureau of Indian Affairs”.

Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(A)(v), inserted “, the Attorney General,” after “Secretary of the Interior”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(B), inserted “, the Attorney General,” after “Secretary of the Interior” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 111-211, § 241(a)(1)(C), substituted “July 29, 2010” for “October 27, 1986”.

§ 2412. Tribal Action Plans

(a) In general

The governing body of any Indian tribe may, at its discretion, adopt a resolution for the establishment of a Tribal Action Plan to coordinate available resources and programs, including programs and resources made available by this chapter, in an effort to combat alcohol and substance abuse among its members. Such resolution shall be the basis for the implementation of this chapter and of the Memorandum of Agreement under section 2411 of this title.

(b) Cooperation

At the request of any Indian tribe pursuant to a resolution adopted under subsection (a) of this section, the Bureau of Indian Affairs agency and education superintendents, where appropriate,¹ the Office of Justice Programs, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Indian Health Service service unit director providing services to such tribe shall cooperate with the tribe in the development of a Tribal Action Plan to coordinate resources and programs relevant to alcohol and substance abuse prevention and treatment. Upon the development of such a plan, such superintendents and director, as directed by the Memorandum of Agreement established under section 2411 of this title, shall enter into an agreement with the tribe for the implementation of the Tribal Action Plan under subsection (a) of this section.

(c) Provisions

(1) Any Tribal Action Plan entered into under subsection (b) of this section shall provide for—

(A) the establishment of a Tribal Coordinating Committee which shall—

(i) at a minimum, have as members a tribal representative who shall serve as Chairman and the Bureau of Indian Affairs agency and education superintendents, where appropriate,¹ the Office of Justice Programs, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Indian Health Service service unit director, or their representatives,

(ii) have primary responsibility for the implementation of the Tribal Action Plan,

(iii) have the responsibility for on-going review and evaluation of, and the making of recommendations to the tribe relating to, the Tribal Action Plan, and

(iv) have the responsibility for scheduling Federal, tribal or other personnel for training in the prevention and treatment of alcohol and substance abuse among Indians as provided under section 2475² of this title, and

¹ So in original.

² See References in Text note below.

¹ See References in Text note below.