Commissioner on Aging [now Assistant Secretary for Aging] in effect on the date of enactment of this Act [July 12, 1974], issued pursuant to section 201(a) of such Act [subsec. (a) of this section], shall be modified by the Commissioner to comply with the provisions of the amendment made by this section [amending this section]."

§ 3012. Functions of Assistant Secretary

(a) Duties and functions of Administration

It shall be the duty and function of the Administration to—

- (1) serve as the effective and visible advocate for older individuals within the Department of Health and Human Services and with other departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government by maintaining active review and commenting responsibilities over all Federal policies affecting older individuals:
- (2) collect and disseminate information related to problems of the aged and aging;
- (3) directly assist the Secretary in all matters pertaining to problems of the aged and aging:
- (4) administer the grants provided by this chapter;
- (5) develop plans, conduct and arrange for research in the field of aging, and assist in the establishment and implementation of programs designed to meet the needs of older individuals for supportive services, including nutrition, hospitalization, education and training services (including preretirement training, and continuing education), low-cost transportation and housing, assistive technology, and health (including mental health) services;
- (6) provide technical assistance and consultation to States and political subdivisions thereof with respect to programs for the aged and aging;
- (7) prepare, publish, and disseminate educational materials dealing with the welfare of older individuals;
- (8) gather statistics in the field of aging which other Federal agencies are not collecting, and take whatever action is necessary to achieve coordination of activities carried out or assisted by all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government with respect to the collection, preparation, and dissemination of information relevant to older individuals;
- (9) develop basic policies and set priorities with respect to the development and operation of programs and activities conducted under authority of this chapter;
- (10) coordinate Federal programs and activities related to such purposes;
- (11) coordinate, and assist in, the planning and development by public (including Federal, State, and local agencies) and private organizations of programs for older individuals, with a view to the establishment of a nationwide network of comprehensive, coordinated services and opportunities for such individuals;
- (12)(A) consult and coordinate activities with the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the heads of other Federal entities to implement and build awareness of programs providing benefits affecting older individuals; and

- (B) carry on a continuing evaluation of the programs and activities related to the objectives of this chapter, with particular attention to the impact of the programs and activities carried out under—
 - (i) titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq., 1396 et seq.);
 - (ii) the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. 621 et seq.); and
- (iii) the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) relating to housing for older individuals and the setting of standards for the licensing of nursing homes, intermediate care homes, and other facilities providing care for such individuals;
- (13) provide information and assistance to private organizations for the establishment and operation by them of programs and activities related to the objectives of this chapter;
- (14) develop, in coordination with other agencies, a national plan for meeting the needs for trained personnel in the field of aging, and for training persons for carrying out programs related to the objectives of this chapter, and conduct and provide for the conducting of such training;
- (15) consult with national organizations representing minority individuals to develop and disseminate training packages and to provide technical assistance efforts designed to assist State and area agencies on aging, and service providers, in providing services to older individuals with greatest economic need or individuals with greatest social need, with particular attention to and specific objectives for providing services to low-income minority individuals and older individuals residing in rural areas;
- (16) collect for each fiscal year, for fiscal years beginning after September 30, 1988, directly or by contract, statistical data regarding programs and activities carried out with funds provided under this chapter, including—
- (A) with respect to each type of service or activity provided with such funds—
 - (i) the aggregate amount of such funds expended to provide such service or activity;
 - (ii) the number of individuals who received such service or activity; and
 - (iii) the number of units of such service or activity provided;
- (B) the number of senior centers which received such funds; and
- (C) the extent to which each area agency on aging designated under section 3025(a) of this title satisfied the requirements of paragraphs (2) and (4)(A) of section 3026(a) of this title:

(17) obtain from—

- (A) the Department of Agriculture information explaining the requirements for eligibility to receive benefits under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 [7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.]; and
- (B) the Social Security Administration information explaining the requirements for eligibility to receive supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.] (or as-

sistance under a State plan program under title XVI of that Act);

and distribute such information, in written form, to State agencies, for redistribution to area agencies on aging, to carry out outreach activities and application assistance;

- (18)(A) establish and operate the National Ombudsman Resource Center (in this paragraph referred to as the "Center"), under the administration of the Director of the Office of Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs, that will—
 - (i) by grant or contract—
 - (I) conduct research;
 - (II) provide training, technical assistance, and information to State Long-Term Care Ombudsmen;
 - $\left(\mathrm{III} \right)$ analyze laws, regulations, programs, and practices; and
 - (IV) provide assistance in recruiting and retaining volunteers for State Long-Term Care Ombudsman programs by establishing a national program for recruitment efforts that utilizes the organizations that have established a successful record in recruiting and retaining volunteers for ombudsman or other programs;

relating to Federal, State, and local longterm care ombudsman policies; and

- (ii) assist State Long-Term Care Ombudsmen in the implementation of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman programs; and
- (B) make available to the Center not less than the amount of resources made available to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman National Resource Center for fiscal year 2000;
- (19) conduct strict monitoring of State compliance with the requirements in effect, under this chapter to prohibit conflicts of interest and to maintain the integrity and public purpose of services provided and service providers, under this chapter in all contractual and commercial relationships;
- (20)(A) encourage, and provide technical assistance to, States, area agencies on aging, and service providers to carry out outreach and benefits enrollment assistance to inform and enroll older individuals with greatest economic need, who may be eligible to participate, but who are not participating, in Federal and State programs providing benefits for which the individuals are eligible, including—
 - (i) supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.), or assistance under a State plan program under such title;
 - (ii) medical assistance under title XIX of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.);
 - (iii) benefits under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.); or
 - (iv) benefits under any other applicable program; and
- (B) at the election of the Assistant Secretary and in cooperation with related Federal agency partners administering the Federal programs, make a grant to or enter into a contract with a qualified, experienced entity to establish a National Center on Senior Benefits Outreach and Enrollment, which shall—

- (i) maintain and update web-based decision support and enrollment tools, and integrated, person-centered systems, designed to inform older individuals about the full range of benefits for which the individuals may be eligible under Federal and State programs;
- (ii) utilize cost-effective strategies to find older individuals with greatest economic need and enroll the individuals in the programs:
- (iii) create and support efforts for Aging and Disability Resource Centers, and other public and private State and community-based organizations, including faith-based organizations and coalitions, to serve as benefits enrollment centers for the programs:
- (iv) develop and maintain an information clearinghouse on best practices and cost-effective methods for finding and enrolling older individuals with greatest economic need in the programs for which the individuals are eligible; and
- (v) provide, in collaboration with related Federal agency partners administering the Federal programs, training and technical assistance on effective outreach, screening, enrollment, and follow-up strategies;
- (21) establish information and assistance services as priority services for older individuals, and develop and operate, either directly or through contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, a National Eldercare Locator Service, providing information and assistance services through a nationwide toll-free number to identify community resources for older individuals;
- (22) develop guidelines for area agencies on aging to follow in choosing and evaluating providers of legal assistance;
- (23) develop guidelines and a model job description for choosing and evaluating legal assistance developers referred to in section 3027(a)(13) of this title and section 3058j of this title;
- (24) establish and carry out pension counseling and information programs described in section 3020e-1 of this title;
- (25) provide technical assistance, training, and other means of assistance to State agencies, area agencies on aging, and service providers regarding State and local data collection and analysis;
- (26) design and implement, for purposes of compliance with paragraph (19), uniform data collection procedures for use by State agencies, including—
 - (A) uniform definitions and nomenclature; (B) standardized data collection procedures:
- (C) a participant identification and description system;
- (D) procedures for collecting information on services needed by older individuals (including services that would permit such individuals to receive long-term care in home and community-based settings), as identified by service providers in assisting clients through the provision of the supportive services; and
- (E) procedures for the assessment of unmet needs for services under this chapter;

- (27) improve the delivery of services to older individuals living in rural areas through—
 - (A) synthesizing results of research on how best to meet the service needs of older individuals in rural areas;
 - (B) developing a resource guide on best practices for States, area agencies on aging, and service providers; and
 - (C) providing training and technical assistance to States to implement these best practices of service delivery; and
- (28) make available to States, area agencies on aging, and service providers information and technical assistance to support the provision of evidence-based disease prevention and health promotion services.

(b) Development and implementation of comprehensive, coordinated systems for long-term

To promote the development and implementation of comprehensive, coordinated systems at Federal, State, and local levels that enable older individuals to receive long-term care in home and community-based settings, in a manner responsive to the needs and preferences of older individuals and their family caregivers, the Assistant Secretary shall, consistent with the applicable provisions of this subchapter—

- (1) collaborate, coordinate, and consult with other Federal entities responsible for formulating and implementing programs, benefits, and services related to providing long-term care, and may make grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements with funds received from other Federal entities;
- (2) conduct research and demonstration projects to identify innovative, cost-effective strategies for modifying State systems of long-term care to—
 - (A) respond to the needs and preferences of older individuals and family caregivers; and
 - (B) target services to individuals at risk for institutional placement, to permit such individuals to remain in home and community-based settings;
- (3) establish criteria for and promote the implementation (through area agencies on aging, service providers, and such other entities as the Assistant Secretary determines to be appropriate) of evidence-based programs to assist older individuals and their family caregivers in learning about and making behavioral changes intended to reduce the risk of injury, disease, and disability among older individuals:
- (4) facilitate, in coordination with the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and other heads of Federal entities as appropriate, the provision of long-term care in home and community-based settings, including the provision of such care through self-directed care models that—
 - (A) provide for the assessment of the needs and preferences of an individual at risk for institutional placement to help such individual avoid unnecessary institutional placement and depletion of income and assets to qualify for benefits under the Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.);

- (B) respond to the needs and preferences of such individual and provide the option—
 - (i) for the individual to direct and control the receipt of supportive services provided: or
 - (ii) as appropriate, for a person who was appointed by the individual, or is legally acting on the individual's behalf, in order to represent or advise the individual in financial or service coordination matters (referred to in this paragraph as a "representative" of the individual), to direct and control the receipt of those services; and
- (C) assist an older individual (or, as appropriate, a representative of the individual) to develop a plan for long-term support, including selecting, budgeting for, and purchasing home and community-based long-term care and supportive services;
- (5) provide for the Administration to play a lead role with respect to issues concerning home and community-based long-term care, including—
 - (A) directing (as the Secretary or the President determines to be appropriate) or otherwise participating in departmental and interdepartmental activities concerning long-term care;
 - (B) reviewing and commenting on departmental rules, regulations, and policies related to providing long-term care; and
 - (C) making recommendations to the Secretary with respect to home and community-based long-term care, including recommendations based on findings made through projects conducted under paragraph (2);
- (6) promote, in coordination with other appropriate Federal agencies—
- (A) enhanced awareness by the public of the importance of planning in advance for long-term care; and
- (B) the availability of information and resources to assist in such planning;
- (7) ensure access to, and the dissemination of, information about all long-term care options and service providers, including the availability of integrated long-term care;
- (8) implement in all States Aging and Disability Resource Centers—
- (A) to serve as visible and trusted sources of information on the full range of long-term care options, including both institutional and home and community-based care, which are available in the community;
- (B) to provide personalized and consumerfriendly assistance to empower individuals to make informed decisions about their care options;
- (C) to provide coordinated and streamlined access to all publicly supported long-term care options so that consumers can obtain the care they need through a single intake, assessment, and eligibility determination process:
- (D) to help individuals to plan ahead for their future long-term care needs; and
- (E) to assist (in coordination with the entities carrying out the health insurance infor-

mation, counseling, and assistance program (receiving funding under section 1395b-4 of this title) in the States) beneficiaries, and prospective beneficiaries, under the Medicare program established under title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.) in understanding and accessing prescription drug and preventative health benefits under the provisions of, and amendments made by, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003:

- (9) establish, either directly or through grants or contracts, national technical assistance programs to assist State agencies, area agencies on aging, and community-based service providers funded under this chapter in implementing—
 - (A) home and community-based long-term care systems, including evidence-based programs; and
 - (B) evidence-based disease prevention and health promotion services programs;
- (10) develop, in collaboration with the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, performance standards and measures for use by States to determine the extent to which their State systems of long-term care fulfill the objectives described in this subsection; and
- (11) conduct such other activities as the Assistant Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(c) Encouragement of participation by volunteer groups, utilization of older individuals, and cost savings

The Assistant Secretary, in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service, shall—

- (1) encourage and permit volunteer groups (including organizations carrying out national service programs and including organizations of youth in secondary or postsecondary school) that are active in supportive services and civic engagement to participate and be involved individually or through representative groups in supportive service and civic engagement programs or activities to the maximum extent feasible.
- (2) develop a comprehensive strategy for utilizing older individuals to address critical local needs of national concern, including the engagement of older individuals in the activities of public and nonprofit organizations such as community-based organizations, including faith-based organizations; and
- (3) encourage other community capacitybuilding initiatives involving older individuals, with particular attention to initiatives that demonstrate effectiveness and cost savings in meeting critical needs.

(d) National Center on Elder Abuse

- (1) The Assistant Secretary shall establish and operate the National Center on Elder Abuse (in this subsection referred to as the "Center").
- (2) In operating the Center, the Assistant Secretary shall—
 - (A) annually compile, publish, and disseminate a summary of recently conducted re-

- search on elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation:
- (B) develop and maintain an information clearinghouse on all programs (including private programs) showing promise of success, for the prevention, identification, and treatment of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation;
- (C) compile, publish, and disseminate training materials for personnel who are engaged or intend to engage in the prevention, identification, and treatment of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation;
- (D) provide technical assistance to State agencies and to other public and nonprofit private agencies and organizations to assist the agencies and organizations in planning, improving, developing, and carrying out programs and activities relating to the special problems of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and
- (E) conduct research and demonstration projects regarding the causes, prevention, identification, and treatment of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
- (3)(A) The Assistant Secretary shall carry out paragraph (2) through grants or contracts.
- (B) The Assistant Secretary shall issue criteria applicable to the recipients of funds under this subsection. To be eligible to receive a grant or enter into a contract under subparagraph (A), an entity shall submit an application to the Assistant Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Assistant Secretary may require.
 - (C) The Assistant Secretary shall—
 - (i) establish research priorities for making grants or contracts to carry out paragraph (2)(E); and
 - (ii) not later than 60 days before the date on which the Assistant Secretary establishes such priorities, publish in the Federal Register for public comment a statement of such proposed priorities.
- (4) The Assistant Secretary shall make available to the Center such resources as are necessary for the Center to carry out effectively the functions of the Center under this chapter and not less than the amount of resources made available to the Resource Center on Elder Abuse for fiscal year 2000.

(e) National Aging Information Center

- (1)(A) The Assistant Secretary shall make grants or enter into contracts with eligible entities to establish the National Aging Information Center (in this subsection referred to as the "Center") to—
 - (i) provide information about grants and projects under subchapter IV of this chapter;
 - (ii) annually compile, analyze, publish, and disseminate—
 - (I) statistical data collected under subsection (a)(19) of this section;
 - (II) census data on aging demographics;
 - (III) data from other Federal agencies on the health, social, and economic status of older individuals and on the services provided to older individuals;
 - (iii) biennially compile, analyze, publish, and disseminate statistical data collected on

the functions, staffing patterns, and funding sources of State agencies and area agencies on aging:

- (iv) analyze the information collected under section 3011(c)(3)(F) of this title by the Director of the Office for American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian Aging;
- (v) provide technical assistance, training, and other means of assistance to State agencies, area agencies on aging, and service providers, regarding State and local data collection and analysis; and
- (vi) be a national resource on statistical data regarding aging.
- (B) To be eligible to receive a grant or enter into a contract under subparagraph (A), an entity shall submit an application to the Assistant Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Assistant Secretary may require.
- (C) Entities eligible to receive a grant or enter into a contract under subparagraph (A) shall be organizations with a demonstrated record of experience in education and information dissemination.
- (2)(A) The Assistant Secretary shall establish procedures specifying the length of time that the Center shall provide the information described in paragraph (1) with respect to a particular project or activity. The procedures shall require the Center to maintain the information beyond the term of the grant awarded, or contract entered into, to carry out the project or activity.
- (B) The Assistant Secretary shall establish the procedures described in subparagraph (A) after consultation with—
 - (i) practitioners in the field of aging;
 - (ii) older individuals;
 - (iii) representatives of institutions of higher education;
 - (iv) national aging organizations;
 - (v) State agencies;
 - (vi) area agencies on aging;
 - (vii) legal assistance providers;
 - (viii) service providers; and
 - (ix) other persons with an interest in the field of aging.

(f) Development of performance outcome measures

- (1) The Assistant Secretary, in accordance with the process described in paragraph (2), and in collaboration with a representative group of State agencies, tribal organizations, area agencies on aging, and providers of services involved in the performance outcome measures shall develop and publish by December 31, 2001, a set of performance outcome measures for planning, managing, and evaluating activities performed and services provided under this chapter. To the maximum extent possible, the Assistant Secretary shall use data currently collected (as of the date of development of the measures) by State agencies, area agencies on aging, and service providers through the National Aging Program Information System and other applicable sources of information in developing such meas-
- (2) The process for developing the performance outcome measures described in paragraph (1) shall include—

- (A) a review of such measures currently in use by State agencies and area agencies on aging (as of the date of the review);
- (B) development of a proposed set of such measures that provides information about the major activities performed and services provided under this chapter;
- (C) pilot testing of the proposed set of such measures, including an identification of resource, infrastructure, and data collection issues at the State and local levels; and
- (D) evaluation of the pilot test and recommendations for modification of the proposed set of such measures.

(Pub. L. 89-73, title II, § 202, July 14, 1965, 79 Stat. 220; Pub. L. 93-29, title II, § 201(b), May 3, 1973, 87 Stat. 31; Pub. L. 94-135, title I, §114(b), (c), Nov. 28, 1975, 89 Stat. 725; Pub. L. 95–478, title I, §102(a), title V, §503(b)(2), (4), Oct. 18, 1978, 92 Stat. 1513, 1559; Pub. L. 97–115, §§ 2(b), (c), 3(d), Dec. 29, 1981, 95 Stat. 1595, 1597; Pub. L. 98-459, title II, §202, Oct. 9, 1984, 98 Stat. 1768; Pub. L. 100-175, title I, §§ 103(a), 105(a), 106(a), 155(a), Nov. 29, 1987, 101 Stat. 928, 930, 952; Pub. L. 102-321, title I, §163(c)(2)(A), July 10, 1992, 106 Stat. 377; Pub. L. 102-375, title I, §102(b)(10)(A), title II, $\S202(a)-(f)$, title VII, $\S708(c)(1)$, title IX, §904(a)(4), Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1202, 1205–1208, 1292, 1306; Pub. L. 103-82, title IV, §405(g)(1), Sept. 21, 1993, 107 Stat. 921; Pub. L. 103-171, §§ 2(2), (3), 3(a)(3), Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1988, 1990; Pub. L. 106–501, title II, §201, title VIII, §801(b)(2), Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2229, 2291; Pub. L. 109–365, title II, §202, Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2528; Pub. L. 110-234, title IV, §4002(b)(1)(B), (2)(BB), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1096, 1097; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title IV, §4002(b)(1)(B), (2)(BB), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1857, 1859.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Social Security Act, referred to in subsecs. (a)(12)(B)(i), (17)(B), (20)(A)(i), (ii) and (b)(4)(A), (8)(E), is act Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, 49 Stat. 620, as amended. Titles XVI, XVIII, and XIX of that Act are classified generally to subchapters XVI (\S 1381 et seq.), XVIII (\S 1395 et seq.), and XIX (\S 1396 et seq.), respectively, of chapter 7 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1305 of this title and Tables.

The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, referred to in subsec. (a)(12)(B)(ii), is Pub. L. 90–202, Dec. 15, 1967, 81 Stat. 602, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 14 (§621 et seq.) of Title 29, Labor. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 621 of Title 29 and Tables.

The National Housing Act, referred to in subsec. (a)(12)(B)(iii), is act June 27, 1934, ch. 847, 48 Stat. 1246, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 13 (\$1701 et seq.) of Title 12, Banks and Banking. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1701 of Title 12 and Tables.

The Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, referred to in subsec. (a)(17)(A), (20)(A)(iii), is Pub. L. 88–525, Aug. 31, 1964, 78 Stat. 703, which is classified generally to chapter 51 (§2011 et seq.) of Title 7, Agriculture. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 2011 of Title 7 and Tables.

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, referred to in subsec. (b)(8)(E), is Pub. L. 108–173, Dec. 8, 2003, 117 Stat. 2066. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 2003 Amendment note set out under section 1305 of this title and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110–234 and Pub. L. 110–246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110–234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110–246.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (a)(17(A), (20)(A)(iii). Pub. L. 110–246, \S 4002(b)(1)(B), (2)(BB), substituted "Food and Nutrition Act of 2008" for "Food Stamp Act of 1977".

2006—Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 109–365, §202(1)(A), inserted "assistive technology" after "housing"

serted "assistive technology," after "housing,".

Subsec. (a)(12). Pub. L. 109-365, §202(1)(B), added par.
(12) and struck out former par. (12) which read as follows: "carry on a continuing evaluation of the programs and activities related to the objectives of this chapter, with particular attention to the impact of medicare and medicaid, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, and the programs of the National Housing Act relating to housing for older individuals and the setting of standards for the licensing of nursing homes, intermediate care homes, and other facilities providing care for such individuals;".

Subsec. (a)(20). Pub. L. 109–365, §202(1)(C), added par. (20) and struck out former par. (20) which read as follows: "encourage, and provide technical assistance to, States and area agencies on aging to carry out outreach to inform older individuals with greatest economic need who may be eligible to receive, but are not receiving, supplemental security income benefits under title XVI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.) (or assistance under a State plan program under such title), medical assistance under title XIX of such Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.), and benefits under the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.), of the requirements for eligibility to receive such benefits and such assistance:".

Subsec. (a)(26)(D). Pub. L. 109–365, §202(1)(D)(i), struck out "gaps in" after "collecting information on" and inserted "(including services that would permit such individuals to receive long-term care in home and community-based settings)" after "individuals".

Subsec. (a)(27)(B). Pub. L. 109–365, 202(1)(E)(i), inserted "and" at end.

Subsec. (a)(27)(D). Pub. L. 109–365, §202(1)(E)(ii), struck out subpar. (D) which read as follows: "submitting a report on the States' experiences in implementing these best practices and the effect these innovations are having on improving service delivery in rural areas to the relevant committees not later than 36 months after November 13, 2000."

Subsec. (a)(28). Pub. L. 109–365, 202(1)(D)(ii), (F), added par. (28).

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 109-365, §202(2), added subsecs. (b) and (c) and struck out former subsecs. (b) and (c), which related to policy alternatives in long-term care and participation of volunteer groups in programs and activities.

Subsec. (e)(1)(A). Pub. L. 109–365, $\S 202(3)$, substituted a period for semicolon at end.

2000—Subsec. (a)(9). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(A), redesignated par. (10) as (9) and struck out former par. (9) which read as follows: "stimulate more effective use of existing resources and available services for the aged and aging, including existing legislative protections with particular emphasis on the application of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967."

Subsec. (a)(10), (11). Pub. L. 106-501, $\S 201(1)(A)$, redesignated pars. (11) and (12) as (10) and (11), respectively. Former par. (10) redesignated (9).

Subsec. (a)(12). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(B), redesignated par. (15) as (12). Former par. (12) redesignated (11).

Subsec. (a)(13), (14). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(B), redesignated pars. (16) and (17) as (13) and (14), respectively, and struck out former pars. (13) and (14), which read as follows:

"(13) convene conferences of such authorities and officials of public (including Federal, State, and local

agencies) and nonprofit private organizations concerned with the development and operation of programs for older individuals as the Assistant Secretary deems necessary or proper for the development and implementation of policies related to the objectives of this chapter:

"(14) develop and operate programs providing services and opportunities as authorized by this chapter which are not otherwise provided by existing programs for older individuals;".

Subsec. (a)(15). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B), (C), redesignated par. (18) as (15) and inserted "and older individuals residing in rural areas" after "low-income minority individuals". Former par. (15) redesignated (12).

Subsec. (a)(16). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B), redesignated par. (19) as (16). Former par. (16) redesignated (13)

Subsec. (a)(16)(C). Pub. L. 106-501, \$801(b)(2)(A)(i), which directed that par. (19)(C) be amended by substituting "paragraphs (2) and (4)(A) of section 3026(a)" for "paragraphs (2) and (5)(A) of section 3026(a)", was executed by making the substitution in par. (16)(C), to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the redesignation of par. (19) as (16) by Pub. L. 106-501, \$201(1)(B). See above.

Subsec. (a)(17). Pub. L. 106-501, $\S 201(1)(B)$, redesignated par. (20) as (17). Former par. (17) redesignated (14).

Subsec. (a)(18). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B), (D), redesignated par. (21) as (18) and substituted "2000" for "1990" in subpar. (B). Former par. (18) redesignated (15).

Subsec. (a)(19). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(E), added par. (19) and struck out former par. (19) which directed the Administration to issue regulations, and conduct strict monitoring of State compliance with the requirements in effect, under this chapter to prohibit conflicts of interest and to maintain the integrity and public purpose of services provided and service providers, under this chapter in all contractual and commercial relationships, and to include in such regulations certain conditions for being designated as an area agency on aging.

Pub. L. 106-501, \$201(1)(B), redesignated par. (22) as (19). Former par. (19) redesignated (16).

Subsec. (a)(20). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B), redesignated par. (23) as (20). Former par. (20) redesignated (17)

Subsec. (a)(21). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(F), added par. (21) and struck out former par. (21) which read as follows: "establish information and assistance services as priority services for older individuals:".

Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(B), redesignated par. (24) as (21). Former par. (21) redesignated (18).

Subsec. (a)(22). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B), redesignated par. (25) as (22). Former par. (22) redesignated (19)

Subsec. (a)(23). Pub. L. 106-501, §801(b)(2)(A)(ii), which directed that par. (26) be amended by substituting "section 3027(a)(13) of this title and section 3058j of this title" for "sections 3027(a)(18) and 3058j(b)(2) of this title", was executed by making the substitution in par. (23), to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the redesignation of par. (26) as (23) by Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B). See below.

Pub. L. 106-501, \$201(1)(B), redesignated par. (26) as (23). Former par. (23) redesignated (20).

Subsec. (a)(24). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(G), added par. (24) and struck out former par. (24) which read as follows:

"(24)(A) conduct a study to determine ways in which Federal funds might be more effectively targeted to low-income minority older individuals, and older individuals residing in rural areas, to better meet the needs of States with a disproportionate number of older individuals with greatest economic need and older individuals with greatest social need:

"(B) conduct a study to determine ways in which Federal funds might be more effectively targeted to better meet the needs of States with disproportionate numbers of older individuals, including methods of allotting funds under subchapter III of this chapter,

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using the most recent estimates of the population of older individuals; and

"(C) not later than January 1, 1995, submit a report containing the findings resulting from the studies described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate;".

Pub. L. 106-501, \$201(1)(B), redesignated par. (27) as (24). Former par. (24) redesignated (21).

Subsec. (a)(25), (26). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(B), redesignated pars. (28) and (29) as (25) and (26), respectively. Former pars. (25) and (26) redesignated (22) and (23), respectively.

Subsec. (a)(27). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(1)(I), added par.

Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(H), which directed amendment of subsec. (a) by striking out par. (27) and redesignating the remaining pars., could only be executed by striking out par. (27) because there were no remaining pars. in subsec. (a) after amendment by Pub. L. 106-501, §201(1)(B). Prior to amendment, par. (27) read as follows: "require that all Federal grants and contracts made under this subchapter and subchapter IV of this chapter be made in accordance with a competitive bidding process established by the Assistant Secretary by regulation."

Pub. L. 106–501, \$201(1)(B), redesignated par. (30) as (27). Former par. (27) redesignated (24).

Subsec. (a)(28) to (30). Pub. L. 106–501, \$201(1)(B), redesignated pars. (28) to (30) as (25) to (27), respectively. Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 106–501, \$801(b)(2)(B), struck out par. (1) designation before "In executing the duties" and struck out par. (2) which read as follows:

"(2)(A) In executing the duties and functions of the Administration under this chapter and in carrying out the programs and activities provided for by this chapter, the Assistant Secretary shall act to encourage and assist the establishment and use of—

''(i) area volunteer service coordinators, as described in section 3026(a)(12) of this title, by area agencies on aging; and

"(ii) State volunteer service coordinators, as described in section 3027(a)(31) of this title, by State agencies.

"(B) The Assistant Secretary shall provide technical assistance to the area and State volunteer services coordinators."

Subsec. (d)(4). Pub. L. 106-501, §201(2), substituted "2000" for "1990".

Subsec. (e)(1)(A)(i). Pub. L. 106–501, \$801(b)(2)(C)(i), added cl. (i) and struck out former cl. (i) which read as follows: "provide information about education and training projects established under part A, and research and demonstration projects, and other activities, established under part B, of subchapter IV of this chapter to persons requesting such information;".

Subsec. (e)(1)(A)(iv). Pub. L. 106-501, \$801(b)(2)(C)(ii), struck out ", and the information provided by the Resource Centers on Native American Elders under section 3035m of this title" before semicolon at end.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 106–501, §201(3), added subsec. (f). 1993—Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(3)(A), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a)(13). Pub. L. 103–171, $\S3(a)(3)(D)$, substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner". Subsec. (a)(18). Pub. L. 103–171, $\S2(2)$, struck out

", and service providers," after "area agencies" and inserted the phrase after "on aging".

Subsec. (a)(21)(A). Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(3)(B), substituted "Director of the Office of Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs" for "Associate Commissioner for Ombudsman Programs".

Subsec. (a)(22)(A), (D). Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(3)(D), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner".

Subsec. (a)(27)(C). Pub. L. 103–171, §2(3), substituted "1995" for "1994".

Subsecs. (a)(30), (b), (c). Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(3)(D), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner" wherever appearing.

Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 103-82 substituted "the Corporation for National and Community Service" for "the Director of the ACTION Agency".

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 103-171, §3(a)(3)(D), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner" wherever appearing.

Subsec. (e)(1)(A)(iv). Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(3)(C), substituted "Director of the Office for" for "Associate Commissioner on".

1992—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 102–375, §904(a)(4)(A)(i), substituted "older individuals" for "the elderly" in two

Subsec. (a)(3). Pub. L. 102-375, §202(a)(1), inserted "directly" before "assist".

Subsec. (a)(11). Pub. L. 102–375, §202(a)(2), substituted "coordinate" for "provide for the coordination of".

Subsec. (a)(13). Pub. L. 102-375, §904(a)(4)(A)(iii), substituted "objectives" for "purposes".

Subsec. (a)(15). Pub. L. 102–375, §904(a)(4)(A)(ii), (iii), substituted "objectives" for "purposes", "older individuals" for "the elderly", and "such individuals" for "older people".

Subsec. (a)(16), (17). Pub. L. 102-375, \$904(a)(4)(A)(iii), substituted "objectives" for "purposes". Subsec. (a)(18). Pub. L. 102-375, \$202(a)(3)(B), sub-

Subsec. (a)(18). Pub. L. 102–375, §202(a)(3)(B), substituted "greatest economic need or individuals with greatest social need, with particular attention to and specific objectives for providing services to low-income minority individuals" for "the greatest economic or social needs".

Pub. L. 102-375, §202(a)(3)(A), inserted ", and service providers," after "agencies".

Pub. L. 102–375, \$102(b)(10)(A), substituted "area agencies on aging" for "area agencies".

Subsec. (a)(19)(A). Pub. L. 102-375, \$202(a)(4)(A), inserted "or activity" after "service" wherever appearing.

Subsec. (a)(20). Pub. L. 102–375, §708(c)(1), struck out "under section 3027(a)(31) of this title" after "application assistance".

Subsec. (a)(21) to (30). Pub. L. 102-375, $\S 202(a)(4)(B)$, (b), added pars. (21) to (30).

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 102–375, §904(a)(4)(B)(i), struck out "with health systems agencies designated under section 300*l*–4 of this title," after "linkages".

Pub. L. 102–321, \$163(c)(2)(A), substituted "the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration" for "the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration".

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 102–375, §904(a)(4)(B)(ii), substituted "older individuals" for "the elderly".

Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 102–375, §202(c), added par. (4). Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102–375, §202(d), designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 102–375, \$202(e), added subsec. (d). Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 102–375, \$202(f), added subsec. (e). 1987—Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 100–175, \$105(a), inserted "(including mental health)" after "health".

Subsec. (a)(19), (20). Pub. L. 100–175, §§ 103(a), 155(a), added pars. (19) and (20).

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 100–175, §106(a), inserted reference to the Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration and the Administration on Developmental Disabilities.

1984—Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 98–459, \$202(a)(1), substituted "establishment and implementation of" for "establishment of and carry out". Subsec. (a)(9). Pub. L. 98–459, \$202(a)(2), inserted

Subsec. (a)(9). Pub. L. 98-459, §202(a)(2), inserted ", including existing legislative protections with particular emphasis on the application of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967".

Subsec. (a)(18). Pub. L. 98-459, §202(a)(3)-(5), added

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 98-459, §202(b), inserted "and with utilization and quality control peer review organizations under title XI of the Social Security Act".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 98-459, §202(c), substituted "the duties and functions of the Administration" for "his duties and functions".

1981—Pub. L. 97-115, $\S 2(b)(1)$, substituted "Commissioner" for "Administration" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 97–115, $\S 2(b)(2)$, substituted "Department of Health and Human Services" for "Department of Health, Education, and Welfare"

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 97–115, §2(b)(3), substituted "collect and disseminate" for "serve as a clearinghouse for"

Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 97-115, $\S\S2(b)(4)$, 3(d), substituted "supportive services" for "social services" and "hospitalization, education and training services (including preretirement training, and continuing education), low-cost transportation and housing" for "hospitalization, preretirement training, continuing education, low-cost transportation and housing".
Subsec. (a)(8). Pub. L. 97–115, §2(b)(5), inserted provi-

sions authorizing and directing Administration to take whatever action is necessary to achieve coordination of activities carried out or assisted by all departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government with respect to collection, preparation, and dissemination of information relevant to older individ-

Subsec. (a)(12), (16). Pub. L. 97–115, §2(b)(6), (7), substituted "private organizations" for "nonprofit private organizations"

organizations . Subsec (c). Pub. L. 97-115, §§2(c), 3(d), substituted "Director of the ACTION Agency" for "Director of Action" and "supportive services" for "social services"

1978—Subsec. (a)(1) to (4). Pub. L. 95-478, §102(a)(1), added par. (1) and redesignated former pars. (1) to (3) as (2) to (4), respectively. Former par. (4) redesignated (5). Subsec. (a)(5). Pub. L. 95–478, §§102(a)(1), 503(b)(4)(A), redesignated former par. (4) as (5) and substituted "older individuals" for "older persons". Former par. (5) redesignated (6).

Subsec. (a)(6). Pub. L. 95-478, §102(a)(1), redesignated former par. (5) as (6). Former par. (6) redesignated (7). Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 95–478, $\S102(a)(1)$, 503(b)(4)(A), redesignated former par. (6) as (7) and substituted "older individuals" for "older persons". Former par. (7) redesignated (8).

Subsec. (a)(8) to (11). Pub. L. 95–478, §102(a)(1), redesignated former pars. (7) to (10) as (8) to (11). Former par. (11) redesignated (12).

Subsec. (a)(12). Pub. L. 95–478, \$102(a)(1), 503(b)(4), redesignated former par. (11) as (12) and substituted "older individuals" and "such individuals" for "older persons" and "such persons". Former par. (12) redesignated (13).

Subsec. (a)(13). Pub. L. 95-478, §§ 102(a)(1), 503(b)(4)(A), redesignated former par. (12) as (13) and substituted "older individuals" for "older persons". Former par. (13) redesignated (14).

Subsec. (a)(14). Pub. L. 95–478, §102(a)(1), redesignated former par. (13) as (14). Former par. (14) redesignated

Subsec. (a)(15) to (17). Pub. L. 95-478, §§ 102(a)(1), 503(b)(2), redesignated former par. (14) as (15), substituted "Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967" for "Age Discrimination Act of 1967" and redesignated former pars. (15) and (16) as (16) and (17), respec-

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 95-478, §102(a)(2), added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c). 1975—Pub. L. 94-135, §114(b), substituted "Administra-

tion" for "Office" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a)(8). Pub. L. 94–135, §114(c), struck out

"and" after "aged and aging;".
1973—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 93-29, §201(b)(1)-(3), in par.
(4), substituted "research" for "research and demonstration programs" and made it the function of the Administration to assist in the establishment of any carry out programs designed to meet the needs of older persons for social services, including nutrition, hospitalization, preretirement training, continuing education, low-cost transportation and housing, and health services; added pars. (9) to (16); and designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), respectively.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 93-29, §201(b)(3), added subsec. (b).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. $110\mbox{--}234$ by Pub. L. $110\mbox{--}246$ effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, except as otherwise provided, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of Title 7, Agriculture.

Amendment by section 4002(b)(1)(B), (2)(BB) of Pub. L. 110-246 effective Oct. 1, 2008, see section 4407 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as a note under section 1161 of Title 2, The Congress.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1993 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-82 effective Apr. 4, 1994, see section 406(b) of Pub. L. 103-82, set out as a note under section 8332 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENTS

Amendment by section 708(c)(1) of Pub. L. 102-375 inapplicable with respect to fiscal year 1993, see section 4(b) of Pub. L. 103-171, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

Amendment by section 708(c)(1) of Pub. L. 102-375 inapplicable with respect to fiscal year 1992, see section 905(b)(6) of Pub. L. 102-375, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-321 effective Oct. 1, 1992, see section 801(c) of Pub. L. 102-321, set out as a note under section 236 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-175 effective Oct. 1, 1987, except not applicable with respect to any area plan submitted under section 3026(a) of this title or any State plan submitted under section 3027(a) of this title and approved for any fiscal year beginning before Nov. 29, 1987, see section 701(a), (b) of Pub. L. 100-175, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

Effective Date of 1984 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-459 effective Oct. 9, 1984, see section 803(a) of Pub. L. 98-459, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-478 effective at close of Sept. 30, 1978, see section 504 of Pub. L. 95-478, set out as a note under section 3001 of this title.

DEADLINE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF DATA COLLECTION PROCEDURES

Pub. L. 102-375, title II, §202(h), Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1210, provided that, not later than 1 year after Sept. 30, 1992, the data collection procedures required by section 3012(a)(29) of this title would be developed jointly by the Commissioner on Aging and the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation of the Department of Health and Human Services with advisory information from State and local agencies, recipients, and providers and considering the data collection systems carried out by States identified as exemplary by the GAO; and that, not later than 1 year after developing such data collection procedures, the Commissioner was to test, report to Congress on, and implement appropriately such procedures.

§ 3013. Federal agency cooperation

(a) In general

(1) The Assistant Secretary, in carrying out the objectives and provisions of this chapter, shall coordinate, advise, consult with, and cooperate with the head of each department, agency, or instrumentality of the Federal Government proposing or administering programs or services substantially related to the objectives of this chapter, with respect to such programs or services. In particular, the Assistant Secretary shall coordinate, advise, consult, and cooperate