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such grant to promote the development and implementation of a comprehensive elder justice system by—

- (A) establishing formal working relationships among public and private providers of elder justice programs, service providers, and stakeholders in order to create a unified elder justice network across such State to coordinate programmatic efforts;
- (B) facilitating and supporting the development of a management information system and standard data elements;
- (C) providing for appropriate education (including educating the public about the range of available elder justice information, programs, and services), training, and technical assistance; and
- (D) taking such other steps as the Assistant Secretary determines appropriate.

(2) Maintenance of effort

Funds made available to States pursuant to this section shall be used to supplement and not supplant other Federal, State, and local funds expended to support activities described in paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 89–73, title VII, §752, as added Pub. L. 109–365, title VII, §704(2), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2593.)

PART C-GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 3058bb. Definitions

As used in this subchapter:

(1) Elder right

The term "elder right" means a right of an older individual.

(2) Vulnerable elder rights protection activity

The term "vulnerable elder rights protection activity" means an activity funded under part A of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 89–73, title VII, §761, as added Pub. L. 102–375, title VII, §707, Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1291; amended Pub. L. 106–501, title VIII, §801(e)(4), Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2293.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Par. (2). Pub. L. 106–501 substituted "part A of this subchapter" for "subpart II, III, IV, or V of this subchapter".

§ 3058cc. Administration

A State agency may carry out vulnerable elder rights protection activities either directly or through contracts or agreements with public or nonprofit private agencies or organizations, such as—

- (1) other State agencies;
- (2) area agencies on aging;
- (3) county governments;
- (4) institutions of higher education;
- (5) Indian tribes; or
- (6) nonprofit service providers or volunteer organizations.

(Pub. L. 89–73, title VII, $\S762$, as added Pub. L. 102–375, title VII, $\S707$, Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1291; amended Pub. L. 106–501, title VIII, $\S801(e)(5)$, Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2293.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-501 struck out "or an entity described in section 3058aa(c) of this title" after "A State agency" in introductory provisions.

§ 3058dd. Technical assistance

(a) Other agencies

In carrying out the provisions of this subchapter, the Assistant Secretary may request the technical assistance and cooperation of such Federal entities as may be appropriate.

(b) Assistant Secretary

The Assistant Secretary shall provide technical assistance and training (by contract, grant, or otherwise) to persons and entities that administer programs established under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 89–73, title VII, §763, as added Pub. L. 102–375, title VII, §707, Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1291; amended Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(11), (13), Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1990.)

AMENDMENTS

1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103–171, §3(a)(13), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner". Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103–171, §13(a)(11), (13), substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner" in heading and text.

§ 3058ee. Audits

(a) Access

The Assistant Secretary, the Comptroller General of the United States, and any duly authorized representative of the Assistant Secretary or the Comptroller shall have access, for the purpose of conducting an audit or examination, to any books, documents, papers, and records that are pertinent to financial assistance received under this subchapter.

(b) Limitation

State agencies and area agencies on aging shall not request information or data from providers that is not pertinent to services furnished under this subchapter or to a payment made for the services.

(Pub. L. 89–73, title VII, $\S764$, as added Pub. L. 102–375, title VII, $\S707$, Sept. 30, 1992, 106 Stat. 1291; amended Pub. L. 103–171, $\S3(a)(13)$, Dec. 2, 1993, 107 Stat. 1990; Pub. L. 106–501, title VIII, $\S801(e)(6)$, Nov. 13, 2000, 114 Stat. 2293.)

AMENDMENTS

2000—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 106-501 substituted "and area agencies on aging" for ", area agencies on aging, and entities described in section 3058aa(c) of this title". 1993—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-171 substituted "Assistant Secretary" for "Commissioner" in two places.

§ 3058ff. Rule of construction

Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to interfere with or abridge the right of an older individual to practice the individual's religion through reliance on prayer alone for healing, in a case in which a decision to so practice the religion—

- (1) is contemporaneously expressed by the older individual—
 - (A) either orally or in writing;