

XI of the Act is classified generally to part C (§1320d et seq.) of title XI of chapter 7 of this title. Titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Act are classified generally to subchapters XVIII (§1395 et seq.), XIX (§1396 et seq.), and XXI (§1397aa 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.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 299c-2, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IX, §923, as added Pub. L. 101-239, title VI, §6103(c), Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2202; amended Pub. L. 102-410, §5(e), Oct. 12, 1992, 106 Stat. 2098, related to development, collection, and dissemination of data, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 106-129.

**§ 299c-3. Dissemination of information**

**(a) In general**

The Director shall—

(1) without regard to section 501 of title 44, promptly publish, make available, and otherwise disseminate, in a form understandable and on as broad a basis as practicable so as to maximize its use, the results of research, demonstration projects, and evaluations conducted or supported under this subchapter;

(2) ensure that information disseminated by the Agency is science-based and objective and undertakes consultation as necessary to assess the appropriateness and usefulness of the presentation of information that is targeted to specific audiences;

(3) promptly make available to the public data developed in such research, demonstration projects, and evaluations;

(4) provide, in collaboration with the National Library of Medicine where appropriate, indexing, abstracting, translating, publishing, and other services leading to a more effective and timely dissemination of information on research, demonstration projects, and evaluations with respect to health care to public and private entities and individuals engaged in the improvement of health care delivery and the general public, and undertake programs to develop new or improved methods for making such information available; and

(5) as appropriate, provide technical assistance to State and local government and health agencies and conduct liaison activities to such agencies to foster dissemination.

**(b) Prohibition against restrictions**

Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the Director may not restrict the publication or dissemination of data from, or the results of, projects conducted or supported under this subchapter.

**(c) Limitation on use of certain information**

No information, if an establishment or person supplying the information or described in it is identifiable, obtained in the course of activities undertaken or supported under this subchapter may be used for any purpose other than the purpose for which it was supplied unless such establishment or person has consented (as determined under regulations of the Director) to its use for such other purpose. Such information may not be published or released in other form if the person who supplied the information or who is described in it is identifiable unless such person

has consented (as determined under regulations of the Director) to its publication or release in other form.

**(d) Penalty**

Any person who violates subsection (c) of this section shall be subject to a civil monetary penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each such violation involved. Such penalty shall be imposed and collected in the same manner as civil money penalties under subsection (a) of section 1320a-7a of this title are imposed and collected.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IX, §944, formerly §924, as added Pub. L. 106-129, §2(a), Dec. 6, 1999, 113 Stat. 1667; renumbered §934, Pub. L. 109-41, §2(a)(3), July 29, 2005, 119 Stat. 424; renumbered §944, Pub. L. 111-148, title III, §3013(a)(2), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 381.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 299c-3, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IX, §924, as added Pub. L. 101-239, title VI, §6103(c), Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2202; amended Pub. L. 102-410, §9, Oct. 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 2100, related to additional provisions with respect to grants and contracts, prior to the general amendment of this subchapter by Pub. L. 106-129. See section 299c-4 of this title.

**§ 299c-4. Additional provisions with respect to grants and contracts**

**(a) Financial conflicts of interest**

With respect to projects for which awards of grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts are authorized to be made under this subchapter, the Director shall by regulation define—

(1) the specific circumstances that constitute financial interests in such projects that will, or may be reasonably expected to, create a bias in favor of obtaining results in the projects that are consistent with such interests; and

(2) the actions that will be taken by the Director in response to any such interests identified by the Director.

**(b) Requirement of application**

The Director may not, with respect to any program under this subchapter authorizing the provision of grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts, provide any such financial assistance unless an application for the assistance is submitted to the Secretary and the application is in such form, is made in such manner, and contains such agreements, assurances, and information as the Director determines to be necessary to carry out the program involved.

**(c) Provision of supplies and services in lieu of funds**

**(1) In general**

Upon the request of an entity receiving a grant, cooperative agreement, or contract under this subchapter, the Secretary may, subject to paragraph (2), provide supplies, equipment, and services for the purpose of aiding the entity in carrying out the project involved and, for such purpose, may detail to the entity any officer or employee of the Department of Health and Human Services.

**(2) Corresponding reduction in funds**

With respect to a request described in paragraph (1), the Secretary shall reduce the