training of health personnel, the Secretary shall implement a program under which the Secretary shall designate as Regional Medical Education Centers such Department hospitals as the Secretary determines appropriate to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

- (b) Each Regional Medical Education Center (hereinafter in this subchapter referred to as "Center") designated under subsection (a) shall provide continuing medical and related education programs for personnel eligible for training under this subchapter. Such programs shall include the following:
  - (1) The teaching of newly developed medical skills and the use of newly developed medical technologies and equipment.
    - (2) Advanced clinical instruction.
  - (3) The opportunity for conducting clinical investigations.
  - (4) Clinical demonstrations in the use of new types of health personnel and in the better use of the skills of existing health personnel.
- (5) Routine verification of basic medical skills and, where determined necessary, remediation of any deficiency in such skills.

(Added Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, §401(b)(5), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 237.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 4121 of this title prior to the repeal of that section as part of the complete revision of chapter 73 of this title by Pub. L. 102–40.

## § 7472. Supervision and staffing of Centers

- (a) Centers shall be operated under the supervision of the Under Secretary for Health and shall be staffed with personnel qualified to provide the highest quality instruction and training in various medical and health care disciplines.
- (b) As a means of providing appropriate recognition to persons in the career service of the Administration who possess outstanding qualifications in a particular medical or health care discipline, the Under Secretary for Health shall from time to time and for such period as the Under Secretary for Health considers appropriate assign such persons to serve as visiting instructors at Centers.
- (c) Whenever the Under Secretary for Health considers it necessary for the effective conduct of the program provided for under this subchapter, the Under Secretary for Health may contract for the services of highly qualified medical and health personnel from outside the Department to serve as instructors at such Centers

(Added Pub. L. 102-40, title IV, \$401(b)(5), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 237; amended Pub. L. 102-405, title III, \$302(c)(1), Oct. 9, 1992, 106 Stat. 1984.)

# PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 4122 of this title prior to the repeal of that section as part of the complete revision of chapter 73 of this title by Pub. L. 102–40.

## AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-405 substituted "Under Secretary for Health" for "Chief Medical Director" wherever appearing.

# § 7473. Personnel eligible for training

- (a) The Under Secretary for Health shall determine the manner in which personnel are to be selected for training in the Centers. Preference shall be given to career personnel of the Administration.
- (b) To the extent that facilities are available medical and health personnel from outside the Administration may, on a reimbursable basis, be provided training in the Centers. Such reimbursement may include reciprocal training of personnel of the Administration provided under sharing arrangements entered into by the Under Secretary for Health and the heads of the entities providing such reciprocal training. Any amounts received by the United States as reimbursement under this subsection shall be credited to the applicable Department medical appropriation account.

(Added Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, \$401(b)(5), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 237; amended Pub. L. 102–405, title III, \$302(c)(1), Oct. 9, 1992, 106 Stat. 1984.)

### PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 4123 of this title prior to the repeal of that section as part of the complete revision of chapter 73 of this title by Pub. L. 102–40.

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-405 substituted "Under Secretary for Health" for "Chief Medical Director" in subsecs. (a) and (b).

## § 7474. Consultation

The Under Secretary for Health shall carry out this subchapter after consultation with the special medical advisory group established pursuant to section 7312(a) of this title.

(Added Pub. L. 102–40, title IV, §401(b)(5), May 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 238; amended Pub. L. 102–405, title III, §302(c)(1), Oct. 9, 1992, 106 Stat. 1984.)

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

Provisions similar to those in this section were contained in section 4124 of this title prior to the repeal of that section as part of the complete revision of chapter 73 of this title by Pub. L. 102–40.

# AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-405 substituted "Under Secretary for Health" for "Chief Medical Director".

# CHAPTER 75—VISUAL IMPAIRMENT AND ORIENTATION AND MOBILITY PROFESSIONALS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Sec.

7501. Establishment of scholarship program; pur-

pose. 7502. Application and acceptance.

7503. Amount of assistance; duration.

7504. Agreement.

7505. Repayment for failure to satisfy requirements of agreement.

## PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior chapter 75 which consisted of sections 4201 to 4210 was renumbered chapter 78 of this title and transferred to follow chapter 76 of this title, and sections 4201 to 4210 were renumbered sections 7801 to 7810 of this title, respectively.