

- (iii) the resources available to help support individuals in recovery; and
- (iv) related medical outcomes of substance use disorders, the potential of acquiring an infection commonly associated with illicit drug use, and neonatal abstinence syndrome among infants exposed to opioids during pregnancy.

**(e) Special consideration**

In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall give special consideration to the unique needs of rural areas, including areas with an age-adjusted rate of drug overdose deaths that is above the national average and areas with a shortage of prevention and treatment services.

**(f) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 547, as added Pub. L. 114-198, title III, § 302, July 22, 2016, 130 Stat. 719; amended Pub. L. 115-271, title VII, § 7151, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4057.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 290ee-2, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 547, formerly Pub. L. 92-255, title IV, § 407, Mar. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 78, as amended Pub. L. 94-237, § 6(a), Mar. 19, 1976, 90 Stat. 244; Pub. L. 94-581, title I, § 111(c)(2), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2852; renumbered § 526 of act July 1, 1944, Apr. 26, 1983, Pub. L. 98-24, § 2(b)(16)(B), 97 Stat. 182; renumbered § 547, July 22, 1987, Pub. L. 100-77, title VI, § 611(2), 101 Stat. 516, which related to admission of drug abusers to private and public hospitals, was omitted in the general revision of this part by Pub. L. 102-321.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Pub. L. 115-271 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section authorized the Secretary to award grants to recovery community organizations to enable such organizations to develop, expand, and enhance recovery services, set the Federal share of program costs at no more than 50 percent, and appropriated \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2017 through 2021.

**§ 290ee-2a. Peer support technical assistance center**

**(a) Establishment**

The Secretary, acting through the Assistant Secretary, shall establish or operate a National Peer-Run Training and Technical Assistance Center for Addiction Recovery Support (referred to in this section as the “Center”).

**(b) Functions**

The Center established under subsection (a) shall provide technical assistance and support to recovery community organizations and peer support networks, including such assistance and support related to—

- (1) training on identifying—
  - (A) signs of substance use disorder;
  - (B) resources to assist individuals with a substance use disorder, or resources for families of an individual with a substance use disorder; and
  - (C) best practices for the delivery of recovery support services;
- (2) the provision of translation services, interpretation, or other such services for clients with limited English speaking proficiency;

- (3) data collection to support research, including for translational research;
- (4) capacity building; and
- (5) evaluation and improvement, as necessary, of the effectiveness of such services provided by recovery community organizations.

**(c) Best practices**

The Center established under subsection (a) shall periodically issue best practices for use by recovery community organizations and peer support networks.

**(d) Recovery community organization**

In this section, the term “recovery community organization” has the meaning given such term in section 290ee-2 of this title.

**(e) Authorization of appropriations**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2023.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 547A, as added Pub. L. 115-271, title VII, § 7152, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4058.)

**§ 290ee-3. State demonstration grants for comprehensive opioid abuse response**

**(a) Definitions**

In this section:

**(1) Dispenser**

The term “dispenser” has the meaning given the term in section 802 of title 21.

**(2) Prescriber**

The term “prescriber” means a dispenser who prescribes a controlled substance, or the agent of such a dispenser.

**(3) Prescriber of a schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance**

The term “prescriber of a schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance” does not include a prescriber of a schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance that dispenses the substance—

- (A) for use on the premises on which the substance is dispensed;
- (B) in a hospital emergency room, when the substance is in short supply;
- (C) for a certified opioid treatment program; or
- (D) in other situations as the Secretary may reasonably determine.

**(4) Schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance**

The term “schedule II, III, or IV controlled substance” means a controlled substance that is listed on schedule II, schedule III, or schedule IV of section 812(c) of title 21.

**(b) Grants for comprehensive opioid abuse response**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall award grants to States, and combinations of States, to implement an integrated opioid abuse response initiative.

**(2) Purposes**

A State receiving a grant under this section shall establish a comprehensive response plan to opioid abuse, which may include—