

CODIFICATION

Section 827 of Pub. L. 94-437 is based on section 196 of title I of S. 1790, One Hundred Eleventh Congress, as reported by the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate in Dec. 2009, which was enacted into law by section 10221(a) of Pub. L. 111-148.

§ 1680r. Tribal health program option for cost sharing

(a) In general

Nothing in this chapter limits the ability of a tribal health program operating any health program, service, function, activity, or facility funded, in whole or part, by the Service through, or provided for in, a compact with the Service pursuant to title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 458aaa et seq.)¹ to charge an Indian for services provided by the tribal health program.

(b) Service

Nothing in this chapter authorizes the Service—

- (1) to charge an Indian for services; or
- (2) to require any tribal health program to charge an Indian for services.

(Pub. L. 94-437, title VIII, § 828, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title X, § 10221(a), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 935.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 94-437, Sept. 30, 1976, 90 Stat. 1400, known as the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1601 of this title and Tables.

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203. Title V of the Act was classified principally to part E (§ 458aaa et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 14 of this title prior to editorial reclassification as subchapter V (§ 5381 et seq.) of chapter 46 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 5301 of this title and Tables.

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§ 1680s. Disease and injury prevention report

Not later than 18 months after March 23, 2010, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate and the Committees on Natural Resources and Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives¹ describing—

- (1) all disease and injury prevention activities conducted by the Service, independently or in conjunction with other Federal departments and agencies and Indian tribes; and
- (2) the effectiveness of those activities, including the reductions of injury or disease conditions achieved by the activities.

(Pub. L. 94-437, title VIII, § 829, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title X, § 10221(a), Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 935.)

¹ See References in Text note below.

¹ So in original. Probably should be followed by “a report”.

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§ 1680t. Other GAO reports

(a) Coordination of services

(1) Study and evaluation

The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study, and evaluate the effectiveness, of coordination of health care services provided to Indians—

- (A) through Medicare, Medicaid, or SCHIP;
- (B) by the Service; or
- (C) using funds provided by—
 - (i) State or local governments; or
 - (ii) Indian tribes.

(2) Report

Not later than 18 months after March 23, 2010, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report—

- (A) describing the results of the evaluation under paragraph (1); and
- (B) containing recommendations of the Comptroller General regarding measures to support and increase coordination of the provision of health care services to Indians as described in paragraph (1).

(b) Payments for contract health services

(1) In general

The Comptroller General shall conduct a study on the use of health care furnished by health care providers under the contract health services program funded by the Service and operated by the Service, an Indian tribe, or a tribal organization.

(2) Analysis

The study conducted under paragraph (1) shall include an analysis of—

- (A) the amounts reimbursed under the contract health services program described in paragraph (1) for health care furnished by entities, individual providers, and suppliers, including a comparison of reimbursement for that health care through other public programs and in the private sector;
- (B) barriers to accessing care under such contract health services program, including barriers relating to travel distances, cultural differences, and public and private sector reluctance to furnish care to patients under the program;
- (C) the adequacy of existing Federal funding for health care under the contract health services program;
- (D) the administration of the contract health service program, including the distribution of funds to Indian health programs pursuant to the program; and
- (E) any other items determined appropriate by the Comptroller General.

(3) Report

Not later than 18 months after March 23, 2010, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report on the study conducted