or XVI of the Social Security Act, to have been disabled at the time of a qualifying event described in section 300bb-3(2) of this title is responsible for notifying the plan administrator of such determination within 60 days after the date of the determination and for notifying the plan administrator within 30 days after the date of any final determination under such title or titles that the qualified beneficiary is no longer disabled" after "date of the qualifying event".

1987—Par. (3). Pub. L. 100–203 amended directory language of Pub. L. 99–514, see 1986 Amendment note below.

 $1986\mathrm{-Par.}$  (3). Pub. L. 99-514, as amended by Pub. L. 100-203, inserted "within 60 days after the date of the qualifying event".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104–191 effective Jan. 1, 1997, regardless of whether the qualifying event occurred before, on, or after such date, see section 421(d) of Pub. L. 104–191, set out as a note under section 4980B of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101–239 applicable to plan years beginning on or after Dec. 19, 1989, regardless of whether the qualifying event occurred before, on, or after such date, see section 6702(d) of Pub. L. 101–239, set out as a note under section 300bb–2 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100–203, title IV, §4009(j)(8), Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330–59, provided that the amendment made by that section is effective as if included in Pub. L. 99–514.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99–514 applicable only with respect to qualifying events occurring after Oct. 22, 1986, see section 1895(d)(6)(D) of Pub. L. 99–514, set out as a note under section 162 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

# NOTIFICATION TO COVERED EMPLOYEES

Pub. L. 99–272, title X, §10003(c), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 236, provided that: "At the time that the amendments made by this section [enacting this subchapter] apply to a group health plan (covered under section 2201 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 300bb–1]), the plan shall notify each covered employee, and spouse of the employee (if any), who is covered under the plan at that time of the continuation coverage required under title XXII of such Act [42 U.S.C. 300bb–1 et seq.]. The notice furnished under this subsection is in lieu of notice that may otherwise be required under section 2206(1) of such Act [42 U.S.C. 300bb–6(1)] with respect to such individuals."

# § 300bb-7. Enforcement

Any individual who is aggrieved by the failure of a State, political subdivision, or agency or instrumentality thereof, to comply with the requirements of this subchapter may bring an action for appropriate equitable relief.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXII, \$2207, as added Pub. L. 99–272, title X, \$10003(a), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 236.)

CONTINUED COVERAGE OF COSTS OF PEDIATRIC VACCINE UNDER CERTAIN GROUP HEALTH PLANS

Pub. L. 103-66, title XIII, §13631(d), Aug. 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 643, provided that:

"(1) REQUIREMENT.—The requirement of this paragraph, with respect to a group health plan for plan years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act [Aug. 10, 1993], is that the group health plan not reduce its coverage of the costs of pediatric vaccines (as

defined under section 1928(h)(6) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 1396s(h)(6)]) below the coverage it provided as of May 1, 1993.

"(2) ENFORCEMENT.—For purposes of section 2207 of the Public Health Service Act [42 U.S.C. 300bb-7], the requirement of paragraph (1) is deemed a requirement of title XXII of such Act [42 U.S.C. 300bb-1 et seq.]."

#### § 300bb-8. Definitions

For purposes of this subchapter—

#### (1) Group health plan

The term "group health plan" has the meaning given such term in 5000(b)¹ of title 26. Such term shall not include any plan substantially all of the coverage under which is for qualified long-term care services (as defined in section 7702B(c) of title 26). Such term shall not include any qualified small employer health reimbursement arrangement (as defined in section 9831(d)(2) of title 26).

### (2) Covered employee

The term "covered employee" means an individual who is (or was) provided coverage under a group health plan by virtue of the performance of services by the individual for 1 or more persons maintaining the plan (including as an employee defined in section 401(c)(1) of title 26).

### (3) Qualified beneficiary

#### (A) In general

The term "qualified beneficiary" means, with respect to a covered employee under a group health plan, any other individual who, on the day before the qualifying event for that employee, is a beneficiary under the plan—

(i) as the spouse of the covered employee, or

(ii) as the dependent child of the employee.

Such term shall also include a child who is born to or placed for adoption with the covered employee during the period of continuation coverage under this subchapter.

# (B) Special rule for terminations and reduced employment

In the case of a qualifying event described in section 300bb-3(2) of this title, the term "qualified beneficiary" includes the covered employee.

# (4) Plan administrator

The term "plan administrator" has the meaning given the term "administrator" by section 1002(16)(A) of title 29.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXII,  $\S2208$ , as added Pub. L. 99–272, title X,  $\S10003(a)$ , Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 236; amended Pub. L. 100–647, title III,  $\S3011(b)(7)$ , Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3625; Pub. L. 101–239, title VI,  $\S6801(c)(1)$ , Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2297; Pub. L. 104–191, title I,  $\S102(d)$ , title III,  $\S321(d)(3)$ , title IV,  $\S421(a)(3)$ , Aug. 21, 1996, 110 Stat. 1978, 2059, 2088; Pub. L. 114–255, div. C, title XVIII,  $\S18001(c)(2)$ , Dec. 13, 2016, 130 Stat. 1344.)

# AMENDMENTS

2016—Par. (1). Pub. L. 114-255 inserted at end "Such term shall not include any qualified small employer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be preceded by "section".

health reimbursement arrangement (as defined in section 9831(d)(2) of title 26)."

1996—Par. (1). Pub. L. 104–191, §321(d)(3), inserted at end "Such term shall not include any plan substantially all of the coverage under which is for qualified long-term care services (as defined in section 7702B(c) of title 26)."

Pub. L. 104-191, §102(d), substituted "5000(b)" for "section 162(i)(2)".

Par. (3)(A). Pub. L. 104–191, §421(a)(3), inserted at end "Such term shall also include a child who is born to or placed for adoption with the covered employee during the period of continuation coverage under this subchanter"

1989—Par. (2). Pub. L. 101–239 substituted "the performance of services by the individual for 1 or more persons maintaining the plan (including as an employee defined in section 401(c)(1) of title 26)" for "the individual's employment or previous employment with an employer".

1988—Par. (1). Pub. L. 100–647 substituted "section 162(i)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986" for "section 162(i)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954", which for purposes of codification was translated as "section 162(i)(2) of title 26".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2016 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 114–255, div. C, title XVIII, §18001(c)(3), Dec. 13, 2016, 130 Stat. 1344, provided that: "The amendments made by this subsection [amending this section and section 300gg–91 of this title] shall apply to plan years beginning after December 31, 2016."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by section 321(d)(3) of Pub. L. 104–191 applicable to contracts issued after Dec. 31, 1996, see section 321(f) of Pub. L. 104–191, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7702B of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

Amendment by section 421(a)(3) of Pub. L. 104–191 effective Jan. 1, 1997, regardless of whether the qualifying event occurred before, on, or after such date, see section 421(d) of Pub. L. 104–191, set out as a note under section 4980B of Title 26.

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1989 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 101-239, title VI, §6801(c)(2), Dec. 19, 1989, 103 Stat. 2298, provided that: "The amendment made by paragraph (1) [amending this section] shall apply to plan years beginning after December 31, 1989."

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100–647 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 1988, but not applicable to any plan for any plan year to which section 162(k) of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code (as in effect on the day before Nov. 10, 1988), did not apply by reason of section 10001(e)(2) of Pub. L. 99–272, see section 3011(d) of Pub. L. 100–647, set out as a note under section 162 of Title 26.

### SUBCHAPTER XXI—RESEARCH WITH RE-SPECT TO ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFI-CIENCY SYNDROME

# PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior subchapter XXI (§300cc et seq.), comprised of title XXIII of the Public Health Service Act, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, 2301–2316, was renumbered title XXV, §\$2501–2514, of the Public Health Service Act, and transferred to subchapter XXV (§300aaa et seq.) of this chapter, renumbered title XXVI, §\$2601–2614, of the Public Health Service Act, renumbered title XXVII, §\$2701–2714, of the Public Health Service Act, and renumbered title II, part B, §\$231–244, of the Public Health Service Act, and transferred to part B (§238 et seq.) of subchapter I of this chapter.

# PART A—ADMINISTRATION OF RESEARCH PROGRAMS

# § 300cc. Repealed. Pub. L. 109-482, title I, § 104(b)(2)(C), Jan. 15, 2007, 120 Stat. 3693

Section, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title XXIII,  $\S 2301$ , as added Pub. L. 100–607, title II,  $\S 201(4)$ , Nov. 4, 1988, 102 Stat. 3063; amended Pub. L. 102–531, title III,  $\S 312(d)(16)$ , Oct. 27, 1992, 106 Stat. 3505, required an annual comprehensive report on all expenditures by Secretary with respect to AIDS.

A prior section 300cc, act July 1, 1944, §2301, was successively renumbered by subsequent acts and transferred, see section 238 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal applicable only with respect to amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2007 or subsequent fiscal years, see section 109 of Pub. L. 109–482, set out as an Effective Date of 2007 Amendment note under section 281 of this title.

# § 300cc-1. Requirement of expediting awards of grants and contracts for research

#### (a) In general

The Secretary shall expedite the award of grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for research projects relating to acquired immune deficiency syndrome (including such research projects initiated independently of any solicitation by the Secretary for proposals for such research projects).

# (b) Time limitations with respect to certain applications

- (1) With respect to programs of grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements described in subsection (a), any application submitted in response to a solicitation by the Secretary for proposals pursuant to such a program—
  - (A) may not be approved if the application is submitted after the expiration of the 3-month period beginning on the date on which the solicitation is issued; and
  - (B) shall be awarded, or otherwise finally acted upon, not later than the expiration of the 6-month period beginning on the expiration of the period described in subparagraph (A)
- (2) If the Secretary makes a determination that it is not practicable to administer a program referred to in paragraph (1) in accordance with the time limitations described in such paragraph, the Secretary may adjust the time limitations accordingly.

# (c) Requirements with respect to adjustments in time limitations

With respect to any program for which a determination described in subsection (b)(2) is made, the Secretary shall—

- (1) if the determination is made before the Secretary issues a solicitation for proposals pursuant to the program, ensure that the solicitation describes the time limitations as adjusted by the determination; and
- (2) if the determination is made after the Secretary issues such a solicitation for proposals, issue a statement describing the time limitations as adjusted by the determination and individually notify, with respect to the determination, each applicant whose application is