

136, related to research and innovation to improve services and results for children with disabilities, prior to the general amendment of subchapters I to IV of this chapter by Pub. L. 108-446.

Another prior section 1472, Pub. L. 91-230, title VI, § 672, as added Pub. L. 99-457, title I, § 101(a), Oct. 8, 1986, 100 Stat. 1146; amended Pub. L. 100-630, title I, § 108(b), Nov. 7, 1988, 102 Stat. 3301; Pub. L. 101-476, title VIII, § 801, title IX, § 901(b)(162), (163), Oct. 30, 1990, 104 Stat. 1141, 1149; Pub. L. 102-119, §§ 12, 25(b), Oct. 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 595, 607, related to definitions, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-17, title II, § 203(b), June 4, 1997, 111 Stat. 157, effective July 1, 1998.

§ 1473. Technical assistance for parent training and information centers

(a) Program authorized

(1) In general

The Secretary may, directly or through awards to eligible entities, provide technical assistance for developing, assisting, and coordinating parent training and information programs carried out by parent training and information centers receiving assistance under section 1471 of this title and community parent resource centers receiving assistance under section 1472 of this title.

(2) Definition of eligible entity

In this section, the term “eligible entity” has the meaning given the term in section 1461(b) of this title.

(b) Authorized activities

The Secretary may provide technical assistance to a parent training and information center or a community parent resource center under this section in areas such as—

- (1) effective coordination of parent training efforts;
- (2) dissemination of scientifically based research and information;
- (3) promotion of the use of technology, including assistive technology devices and assistive technology services;
- (4) reaching underserved populations, including parents of low-income and limited English proficient children with disabilities;
- (5) including children with disabilities in general education programs;
- (6) facilitation of transitions from—
 - (A) early intervention services to preschool;
 - (B) preschool to elementary school;
 - (C) elementary school to secondary school;
 and
 - (D) secondary school to postsecondary environments; and
- (7) promotion of alternative methods of dispute resolution, including mediation.

(c) Collaboration with the resource centers

Each eligible entity receiving an award under subsection (a) shall develop collaborative agreements with the geographically appropriate regional resource center and, as appropriate, the regional educational laboratory supported under section 9564 of this title, to further parent and professional collaboration.

(Pub. L. 91-230, title VI, § 673, as added Pub. L. 108-446, title I, § 101, Dec. 3, 2004, 118 Stat. 2791.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1473, Pub. L. 91-230, title VI, § 673, as added Pub. L. 105-17, title I, § 101, June 4, 1997, 111 Stat.

139, related to personnel preparation to improve services and results for children with disabilities, prior to the general amendment of subchapters I to IV of this chapter by Pub. L. 108-446.

Another prior section 1473, Pub. L. 91-230, title VI, § 673, as added Pub. L. 99-457, title I, § 101(a), Oct. 8, 1986, 100 Stat. 1147; amended Pub. L. 101-476, title IX, § 901(b)(164), Oct. 30, 1990, 104 Stat. 1150; Pub. L. 102-119, § 25(b), Oct. 7, 1991, 105 Stat. 607, related to general authority of Secretary to make grants to States for development of system to provide early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-17, title II, § 203(b), June 4, 1997, 111 Stat. 157, effective July 1, 1998.

§ 1474. Technology development, demonstration, and utilization; media services; and instructional materials

(a) Program authorized

(1) In general

The Secretary, on a competitive basis, shall award grants to, and enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with, eligible entities to support activities described in subsections (b) and (c).

(2) Definition of eligible entity

In this section, the term “eligible entity” has the meaning given the term in section 1461(b) of this title.

(b) Technology development, demonstration, and use

(1) In general

In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall support activities to promote the development, demonstration, and use of technology.

(2) Authorized activities

The following activities may be carried out under this subsection:

- (A) Conducting research on and promoting the demonstration and use of innovative, emerging, and universally designed technologies for children with disabilities, by improving the transfer of technology from research and development to practice.
- (B) Supporting research, development, and dissemination of technology with universal design features, so that the technology is accessible to the broadest range of individuals with disabilities without further modification or adaptation.
- (C) Demonstrating the use of systems to provide parents and teachers with information and training concerning early diagnosis of, intervention for, and effective teaching strategies for, young children with reading disabilities.
- (D) Supporting the use of Internet-based communications for students with cognitive disabilities in order to maximize their academic and functional skills.

(c) Educational media services

(1) In general

In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall support—

- (A) educational media activities that are designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities;