

diction and substance use disorders and specialize in family and patient services, advocacy for patients and families, and educational information.

**(b) Allowable uses**

A grant awarded under this section may be used for nonprofit national, State, or local organizations that engage in the following activities:

(1) Expansion of resource center services with professional, clinical staff that provide, for families and individuals impacted by a substance use disorder, support, access to treatment resources, brief assessments, medication and overdose prevention education, compassionate listening services, recovery support or peer specialists, bereavement and grief support, and case management.

(2) Continued development of health information technology systems that leverage new and upcoming technology and techniques for prevention, intervention, and filling resource gaps in communities that are underserved.

(3) Enhancement and operation of treatment and recovery resources, easy-to-read scientific and evidence-based education on addiction and substance use disorders, and other informational tools for families and individuals impacted by a substance use disorder and community stakeholders, such as law enforcement agencies.

(4) Provision of training and technical assistance to State and local governments, law enforcement agencies, health care systems, research institutions, and other stakeholders.

(5) Expanding upon and implementing educational information using evidence-based information on substance use disorders.

(6) Expansion of training of community stakeholders, law enforcement officers, and families across a broad-range of addiction, health, and related topics on substance use disorders, local issues and community-specific issues related to the drug epidemic.

(7) Program evaluation.

(Pub. L. 114-198, title VII, § 709, as added Pub. L. 115-271, title VIII, § 8212, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4115.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment for Patients and Communities Act, also known as the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act, and the Substance Abuse Prevention Act of 2018, and not as part of the Public Health Service Act which comprises this chapter.

**§ 290ee-10. Sobriety treatment and recovery teams**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary may make grants to States, units of local government, or tribal governments to establish or expand Sobriety Treatment And Recovery Team (referred to in this section as “START”) or other similar programs to determine the effectiveness of pairing social workers or mentors with families that are struggling with a substance use disorder and child abuse or neglect in order to help provide peer support, intensive treatment, and child welfare services to such families.

**(b) Allowable uses**

A grant awarded under this section may be used for one or more of the following activities:

(1) Training eligible staff, including social workers, social services coordinators, child welfare specialists, substance use disorder treatment professionals, and mentors.

(2) Expanding access to substance use disorder treatment services and drug testing.

(3) Enhancing data sharing with law enforcement agencies, child welfare agencies, substance use disorder treatment providers, judges, and court personnel.

(4) Program evaluation and technical assistance.

**(c) Program requirements**

A State, unit of local government, or tribal government receiving a grant under this section shall—

(1) serve only families for which—

(A) there is an open record with the child welfare agency; and

(B) substance use disorder was a reason for the record or finding described in paragraph (1);<sup>1</sup> and

(2) coordinate any grants awarded under this section with any grant awarded under section 629g(f) of this title focused on improving outcomes for children affected by substance abuse.

**(d) Technical assistance**

The Secretary may reserve not more than 5 percent of funds provided under this section to provide technical assistance on the establishment or expansion of programs funded under this section from the National Center on Substance Abuse and Child Welfare.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title V, § 550, as added Pub. L. 115-271, title VIII, § 8214, Oct. 24, 2018, 132 Stat. 4116.)

CODIFICATION

Section 8214 of Pub. L. 115-271, which directed the addition of this section at the end of title V of the Public Health Service Act, was executed by adding this section at the end of part D of that title of the Act, to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Another section 550 of act July 1, 1944, is classified to section 290ee-5 of this title.

PART E—CHILDREN WITH SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCES

**§ 290ff. Comprehensive community mental health services for children with serious emotional disturbances**

**(a) Grants to certain public entities**

**(1) In general**

The Secretary, acting through the Director of the Center for Mental Health Services, shall make grants to public entities for the purpose of providing comprehensive community mental health services to children with a serious emotional disturbance, which may include efforts to identify and serve children at risk.

**(2) “Public entity” defined**

For purposes of this part, the term “public entity” means any State, any political sub-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “subparagraph (A)”.