

(2) Issues regarding how to improve the results of nursing care and services provided in the armed forces in time of war.

(3) Issues regarding how to prevent complications associated with battle injuries.

(4) Issues regarding how to prevent complications associated with the transporting of patients in the military medical evacuation system.

(5) Issues regarding how to improve methods of training nursing personnel.

(6) Clinical nursing issues, including such issues as prevention and treatment of child abuse and spouse abuse.

(7) Women's health issues.

(8) Wellness issues.

(9) Preventive medicine issues.

(10) Home care management issues.

(11) Case management issues.

(Added Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title VII, §741(a), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 384.)

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2116, added Pub. L. 92-426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716, directed Secretary of Defense to report periodically to Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives on feasibility of establishing educational institutions similar or identical to University at any other locations he deemed appropriate, with last such report to be submitted by June 30, 1976, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 98-94, title XII, §1268(12)(A), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 706.

[§ 2117. Repealed. Pub. L. 111-84, div. A, title V, § 525(a)(1), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2286]

Section, added Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title IX, §955(g)(1), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 295, authorized Secretary of Defense to establish a School of Nursing. See section 2169 of this title.

Editorial Notes

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 2117, added Pub. L. 92-426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 716, authorized appropriations for the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, §1484(b)(2)(A), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1716.

CHAPTER 105—ARMED FORCES HEALTH PROFESSIONS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

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1994—Pub. L. 103-337, div. A, title XVI, §1663(c)(7)(A), Oct. 5, 1994, 108 Stat. 3008, redesignated item for subchapter III as item for subchapter II and struck out former item for subchapter II "Health Professions Stipend Program for Reserve Service".

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VII, §§707(b), 725(h)(3), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1475, 1480, substituted "and Financial Assistance Program" for "Program" in item for subchapter I and added item for subchapter III.

1987—Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title VII, §711(a)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1108, substituted "FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS" for "SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM" in chapter heading, and added subchapter analysis, consisting of subchapters I and II.

SUBCHAPTER I—HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR ACTIVE SERVICE

Table with 2 columns: Sec. and Definitions. 2120. Definitions. 2121. Establishment. 2122. Eligibility for participation. 2123. Members of the program: active duty obligation; failure to complete training; release from program. 2124. Members of the program: numbers appointed. 2125. Members of the program: exclusion from authorized strengths. 2126. Members of the program: service credit. 2127. Scholarships and financial assistance: payments. 2128. Accession bonus for members of the program.

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2008—Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title VI, §623(b), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 152, added item 2128.

1989—Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VII, §725(d)(3), (h)(2), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1479, 1480, substituted "AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM" for "PROGRAM" in subchapter heading and "Scholarships and financial assistance" for "Contracts for scholarships" in item 2127.

1987—Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title VII, §711(a)(1), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1108, added subchapter heading.

1980—Pub. L. 96-513, title V, §511(66), Dec. 12, 1980, 94 Stat. 2926, substituted in item 2123 "program;" for "program;"; and in items 2124 to 2127 ":", for ":", where appearing.

§ 2120. Definitions

In this subchapter:

(1) The term "program" means the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance program provided for in this subchapter.

(2) The term "member of the program" means a person appointed a commissioned officer in a reserve component of the armed forces who is enrolled in the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance program.

(3) The term "course of study" means education received at an accredited college, university, or institution in medicine, dentistry, or other health profession, leading, respectively, to a degree related to the health professions as determined under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense.

(4) The term "specialized training" means advanced training in a health professions specialty received in an accredited program that is beyond the basic education required for appointment as a commissioned officer with a designation as a health professional.

(Added Pub. L. 92-426, §2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 717; amended Pub. L. 98-94, title XII, §1268(13), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 706; Pub. L. 100-26, §7(k)(2), Apr. 21, 1987, 101 Stat. 284; Pub. L. 100-180, div. A, title VII, §711(a)(2), Dec. 4, 1987, 101 Stat. 1108; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title

VII, § 725(a), (h)(1), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1478, 1480.)

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1989—Pars. (1), (2). Pub. L. 101-189, § 725(h)(1), substituted “Scholarship and Financial Assistance program” for “Scholarship program”.

Par. (4). Pub. L. 101-189, § 725(a), added par. (4).

1987—Pub. L. 100-180 substituted “subchapter” for “chapter” in introductory text and in par. (1).

Pub. L. 100-26 inserted “The term” after each par. designation and struck out uppercase letter of first word after first quotation marks in each par. and substituted lowercase letter.

1983—Pub. L. 98-94 substituted a colon for a dash after “In this chapter” in text preceding par. (1).

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEMONSTRATION PROJECT ON SERVICE OF RETIRED NURSE CORPS OFFICERS AS FACULTY AT CIVILIAN NURSING SCHOOLS

Pub. L. 110-417, [div. A], title V, § 597, Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4479, as amended by Pub. L. 111-383, div. A, title X, § 1075(e)(8), Jan. 7, 2011, 124 Stat. 4375, which authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a demonstration project to encourage retired military nurses to serve as faculty at civilian nursing schools, expired on June 30, 2014.

§ 2121. Establishment

(a)(1) For the purpose of obtaining adequate numbers of commissioned officers on active duty who are qualified (A) in the various health professions or (B) as a health professional with specific skills to assist in providing mental health care to members of the armed forces, the Secretary of each military department, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, may establish and maintain a health professions scholarship and financial assistance program for his department.

(2) Under the program of a military department, the Secretary of that military department shall allocate a portion of the total number of scholarships to members of the program described in paragraph (1)(B) for the purpose of assisting such members to pursue a degree at the masters and doctoral level in any of the following disciplines:

- (A) Social work.
- (B) Clinical psychology.
- (C) Psychiatry.

(D) Other disciplines that contribute to mental health care programs in that military department.

(b) The program shall consist of courses of study and specialized training in designated health professions, with obligatory periods of military training.

(c)(1) Persons participating in the program shall be commissioned officers in reserve components of the armed forces. Members pursuing a course of study shall serve on active duty in pay grade O-1 with full pay and allowances of that grade for a period of 45 days during each year of participation in the program. Members pursuing specialized training shall serve on active duty in a pay grade commensurate with their educational level, as determined by appointment under section 12207 of this title, with full pay

and allowances of that grade for a period of 14 days during each year of participation in the program. They shall be detailed as students at accredited civilian institutions, located in the United States or Puerto Rico, for the purpose of acquiring knowledge or training in a designated health profession. In addition, members of the program shall, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, receive military and professional training and instruction.

(2) If a member of the uniformed services selected to participate in the program as a medical student has prior active service in a pay grade and with years of service credited for pay that would entitle the member, if the member remained in the former grade, to a rate of basic pay in excess of the rate of basic pay for regular officers in the grade of second lieutenant or ensign, the member shall be paid basic pay based on the former grade and years of service credited for pay. The amount of such basic pay for the member shall be increased on January 1 of each year by the percentage by which basic pay is increased on average on that date for that year, and the member shall continue to receive basic pay based on the former grade and years of service until the date, whether occurring before or after the conclusion of such participation, on which the basic pay for the member in the member's actual grade and years of service credited for pay exceeds the amount of basic pay to which the member is entitled based on the member's former grade and years of service.

(d) Except when serving on active duty pursuant to subsection (c), a member of the program shall be entitled to a stipend at a monthly rate established by the Secretary of Defense, but not to exceed a total of \$30,000 per year. The maximum annual amount of the stipend shall be increased annually by the Secretary of Defense effective on July 1 of each year by an amount (rounded to the next highest multiple of \$1) equal to—

(1) the amount of such stipend (as previously adjusted (if at all)), multiplied by

(2) the overall percentage of the adjustment (if such adjustment is an increase) in the rates of basic pay for members of the uniformed services made effective for the fiscal year in which the school year ends.

(Added Pub. L. 92-426, § 2(a), Sept. 21, 1972, 86 Stat. 717; amended Pub. L. 96-107, title VIII, § 804(a), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 812; Pub. L. 98-94, title IX, § 935(a), Sept. 24, 1983, 97 Stat. 652; Pub. L. 101-189, div. A, title VII, § 725(b), Nov. 29, 1989, 103 Stat. 1479; Pub. L. 101-510, div. A, title XIV, § 1484(k)(7), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1719; Pub. L. 104-106, div. A, title XV, § 1501(c)(22), Feb. 10, 1996, 110 Stat. 499; Pub. L. 109-364, div. A, title V, § 538(a), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2209; Pub. L. 110-181, div. A, title V, § 524(b), Jan. 28, 2008, 122 Stat. 103; Pub. L. 111-84, div. A, title V, § 524(a), Oct. 28, 2009, 123 Stat. 2285.)

Editorial Notes

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2009—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 111-84 designated existing provisions as par. (1), substituted “(A) in the various health professions or (B) as a health professional with specific skills to assist in providing mental health care