

macies, and the total number of prescriptions that were dispensed.

**(c) Confidentiality**

Information disclosed by a health benefits plan or PBM under this section is confidential and shall not be disclosed by the Secretary or by a plan receiving the information, except that the Secretary may disclose the information in a form which does not disclose the identity of a specific PBM, plan, or prices charged for drugs, for the following purposes:

(1) As the Secretary determines to be necessary to carry out this section or part D of subchapter XVIII.

(2) To permit the Comptroller General to review the information provided.

(3) To permit the Director of the Congressional Budget Office to review the information provided.

(4) To States to carry out section 18031 of this title.

**(d) Penalties**

The provisions of subsection (b)(3)(C) of section 1396r-8 of this title shall apply to a health benefits plan or PBM that fails to provide information required under subsection (a) on a timely basis or that knowingly provides false information in the same manner as such provisions apply to a manufacturer with an agreement under that section.

(Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XI, §1150A, as added Pub. L. 111-148, title VI, §6005, Mar. 23, 2010, 124 Stat. 698.)

**Editorial Notes**

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 1320b-23 of this title, act Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XI, §1150A, as added Pub. L. 106-553, §1(a)(2) [title VI, §635(c)(1)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2762, 2762A-115, which related to prohibition of certain misuses of social security numbers, was repealed by Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(4) [div. A, §213(a)(6), (b)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-180, effective as if included in Pub. L. 106-553 on Dec. 21, 2000.

**§ 1320b-24. Consultation with Tribal Technical Advisory Group**

The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall maintain within the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services<sup>1</sup> (CMS) a Tribal Technical Advisory Group (TTAG), which was first established in accordance with requirements of the charter dated September 30, 2003, and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall include in such Group a representative of a national urban Indian health organization and a representative of the Indian Health Service. The inclusion of a representative of a national urban Indian health organization in such Group shall not affect the nonapplication of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) to such Group.

(Pub. L. 111-5, div. B, title V, §5006(e)(1), Feb. 17, 2009, 123 Stat. 510.)

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be "Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services".

**Editorial Notes**

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**CODIFICATION**

Section was enacted as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, and not as part of the Social Security Act which comprises this chapter.

**§ 1320b-25. Reporting to law enforcement of crimes occurring in federally funded long-term care facilities**

**(a) Determination and notification**

**(1) Determination**

The owner or operator of each long-term care facility that receives Federal funds under this chapter shall annually determine whether the facility received at least \$10,000 in such Federal funds during the preceding year.

**(2) Notification**

If the owner or operator determines under paragraph (1) that the facility received at least \$10,000 in such Federal funds during the preceding year, such owner or operator shall annually notify each covered individual (as defined in paragraph (3)) of that individual's obligation to comply with the reporting requirements described in subsection (b).

**(3) Covered individual defined**

In this section, the term "covered individual" means each individual who is an owner, operator, employee, manager, agent, or contractor of a long-term care facility that is the subject of a determination described in paragraph (1).

**(b) Reporting requirements**

**(1) In general**

Each covered individual shall report to the Secretary and 1 or more law enforcement entities for the political subdivision in which the facility is located any reasonable suspicion of a crime (as defined by the law of the applicable political subdivision) against any individual who is a resident of, or is receiving care from, the facility.

**(2) Timing**

If the events that cause the suspicion—

(A) result in serious bodily injury, the individual shall report the suspicion immediately, but not later than 2 hours after forming the suspicion; and

(B) do not result in serious bodily injury, the individual shall report the suspicion not later than 24 hours after forming the suspicion.

**(c) Penalties**

**(1) In general**

If a covered individual violates subsection (b)—

(A) the covered individual shall be subject to a civil money penalty of not more than \$200,000; and

(B) the Secretary may make a determination in the same proceeding to exclude the