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Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

AN ACT

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide programs for the prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation of stroke.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Stroke Treatment and
- 5 Ongoing Prevention Act of 2002".

1 SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND GOAL.

- 2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-3 ings:
- 4 (1) Stroke is the third leading cause of death 5 in the United States. Each year over 750,000 Amer-6 icans suffer a new or recurrent stroke and 160,000 7 Americans die from stroke.
- 8 (2) Stroke costs the United States 9 \$28,000,000,000 in direct costs and 10 \$17,400,000,000 in indirect costs, each year.
 - (3) Stroke is one of the leading causes of adult disability in the United States. Between 15 percent and 30 percent of stroke survivors are permanently disabled. Presently, there are 4,400,000 stroke survivors living in the United States.
 - (4) Members of the general public have difficulty recognizing the symptoms of stroke and are unaware that stroke is a medical emergency. Fifty-eight percent of all stroke patients wait 24 hours or more before presenting at the emergency room. Forty-two percent of individuals over the age of 50 do not recognize numbness or paralysis in the face, arm, or leg as a sign of stroke and 17 percent of them cannot name a single stroke symptom.
 - (5) Recent advances in stroke treatment can significantly improve the outcome for stroke pa-

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- tients, but these therapies must be administered properly and promptly. Only 3 percent of stroke patients who are candidates for acute stroke intravenous thrombolytic drug therapy receive the appropriate medication.
 - (6) New technologies, therapies, and diagnostic approaches are currently being developed that will extend the therapeutic timeframe and result in greater treatment efficacy for stroke patients.
 - (7) Few States and communities have developed and implemented stroke awareness programs, prevention programs, or comprehensive stroke care systems.
 - (8) The degree of disability resulting from stroke can be reduced substantially by educating the general public about stroke and by improving the systems for the provision of stroke care in the United States.
- 19 (b) GOAL.—It is the goal of this Act to improve the 20 provision of stroke care in every State and territory and 21 in the District of Columbia, and to increase public aware-22 ness about the prevention, detection, and treatment of 23 stroke.

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1	SEC. 3. SYSTEMS FOR STROKE PREVENTION, TREATMENT,
2	AND REHABILITATION.
3	The Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 201 et
4	seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:
5	"TITLE XXVIII—SYSTEMS FOR
6	STROKE PREVENTION,
7	TREATMENT, AND REHABILI-
8	TATION
9	"Part A—Stroke Prevention and Education
10	CAMPAIGN
11	"SEC. 2801. STROKE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION CAM-
12	PAIGN.
13	"(a) In General.—The Secretary shall carry out a
14	national education and information campaign to promote
15	stroke prevention and increase the number of stroke pa-
16	tients who seek immediate treatment. In implementing
17	such education and information campaign, the Secretary
18	shall avoid duplicating existing stroke education efforts by
19	other Federal Government agencies and may consult with
20	national and local associations that are dedicated to in-
21	creasing the public awareness of stroke, consumers of
22	stroke awareness products, and providers of stroke care.
23	"(b) USE OF FUNDS.—The Secretary may use
24	amounts appropriated to carry out the campaign described
25	in subsection (a)—

1	"(1) to make public service announcements
2	about the warning signs of stroke and the impor-
3	tance of treating stroke as a medical emergency;
4	"(2) to provide education regarding ways to
5	prevent stroke and the effectiveness of stroke treat-
6	ment;
7	"(3) to purchase media time and space;
8	"(4) to pay for out-of-pocket advertising pro-
9	duction costs;
10	"(5) to test and evaluate advertising and edu-
11	cational materials for effectiveness, especially among
12	groups at high risk for stroke, including women,
13	older adults, and African-Americans;
14	"(6) to develop alternative campaigns that are
15	targeted to unique communities, including rural and
16	urban communities, and communities in the 'Stroke
17	Belt';
18	"(7) to measure public awareness prior to the
19	start of the campaign on a national level and in tar-
20	geted communities to provide baseline data that will
21	be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the public
22	awareness efforts; and
23	"(8) to carry out other activities that the Sec-
24	retary determines will promote prevention practices

- 1 among the general public and increase the number
- 2 of stroke patients who seek immediate care.
- 3 "(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 4 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection
- 5 (b), \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, and such sums as
- 6 may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2003 through
- 7 2006.
- 8 "Part B—General Authorities and Duties of the
- 9 Secretary
- 10 "SEC. 2811. ESTABLISHMENT.
- 11 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, with respect
- 12 to stroke care—
- "(1) make available, support, and evaluate a
- grant program to enable a State to develop statewide
- 15 stroke care systems;
- 16 "(2) foster the development of appropriate,
- modern systems of stroke care through the sharing
- of information among agencies and individuals in-
- volved in the study and provision of such care; and
- 20 "(3) provide to State and local agencies tech-
- 21 nical assistance.
- 22 "(b) Grants, Cooperative Agreements, and
- 23 Contracts.—The Secretary may make grants, and enter
- 24 into cooperative agreements and contracts, for the purpose
- 25 of carrying out subsection (a).

1 "SEC. 2812. PAUL COVERDELL NATIONAL ACUTE STROKE 2 REGISTRY AND CLEARINGHOUSE. 3 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall maintain the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Registry and Clear-4 5 inghouse by— 6 "(1) continuing to develop and collect specific 7 data points as well as appropriate benchmarks for 8 analyzing care of acute stroke patients; 9 "(2) continuing to design and pilot test proto-10 types that will measure the delivery of care to pa-11 tients with acute stroke in order to provide real-time 12 data and analysis to reduce death and disability 13 from stroke and improve the quality of life for acute 14 stroke survivors; 15 "(3) fostering the development of effective, 16 modern stroke care systems (including the develop-17 ment of policies related to emergency services sys-18 tems) through the sharing of information among 19 agencies and individuals involved in planning, fur-20 nishing, and studying such systems; "(4) collecting, compiling, and disseminating in-21 22 formation on the achievements of, and problems ex-23 perienced by, State and local agencies and private 24 entities in developing and implementing stroke care 25 systems and, in carrying out this paragraph, giving

special consideration to the unique needs of rural fa-

1	cilities and those facilities with inadequate resources
2	for providing quality prevention, acute treatment
3	post-acute treatment, and rehabilitation services for
4	stroke patients;
5	"(5) providing technical assistance relating to
6	stroke care systems to State and local agencies; and
7	"(6) carrying out any other activities the Sec-
8	retary determines to be useful to fulfill the purposes
9	of the Paul Coverdell National Acute Stroke Reg-
10	istry and Clearinghouse.
11	"(b) RESEARCH ON STROKE.—The Secretary shall
12	not earlier than 1 year after the date of enactment of the
13	Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2002
14	ensure the availability of published research on stroke or
15	where necessary, conduct research concerning—
16	"(1) best practices in the prevention, diagnosis
17	treatment, and rehabilitation of stroke;
18	"(2) barriers to access to currently approved
19	stroke prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation serv-
20	ices;
21	"(3) barriers to access to newly developed diag-
22	nostic approaches, technologies, and therapies for
23	stroke patients;
24	"(4) the effectiveness of existing public aware-
25	ness campaigns regarding stroke; and

1	"(5) disparities in the prevention, diagnosis,
2	treatment, and rehabilitation of stroke among dif-
3	ferent populations.
4	"(c) Certain Research Activities.—In carrying
5	out the activities described in subsection (b), the Secretary
6	may conduct—
7	"(1) studies with respect to all phases of stroke
8	care, including prehospital, acute, post-acute and re-
9	habilitation care;
10	"(2) studies with respect to patient access to
11	currently approved and newly developed stroke pre-
12	vention and treatment services, including a review of
13	the effect of coverage, coding, and reimbursement
14	practices on access;
15	"(3) studies with respect to the effect of exist-
16	ing public awareness campaigns on stroke; and
17	"(4) any other studies that the Secretary deter-
18	mines are necessary or useful to conduct a thorough
19	and effective research program regarding stroke.
20	"(d) Mechanisms of Support.—In carrying out
21	the activities described in subsection (b), the Secretary
22	may make grants to public and private non-profit entities.
23	"(e) Coordination of Effort.—The Secretary
24	shall ensure the adequate coordination of the activities

25 carried out under this section.

- 1 "(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 2 is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be nec-
- 3 essary for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2006 to carry
- 4 out this section.
- 5 "PART C—GRANTS WITH RESPECT TO STATE STROKE
- 6 CARE SYSTEMS
- 7 "SEC. 2821. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM FOR IMPROV-
- 8 ING STROKE CARE.
- 9 "(a) Grants.—The Secretary shall award grants to
- 10 States for the purpose of establishing statewide stroke pre-
- 11 vention, treatment, and rehabilitation systems.
- "(b) Use of Funds.—
- 13 "(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make
- available grants under subsection (a) for the devel-
- opment and implementation of statewide stroke care
- systems that provide stroke prevention services and
- 17 quality acute, post-acute, and rehabilitation care for
- stroke patients through the development of sufficient
- resources and infrastructure, including personnel
- with appropriate training, acute stroke teams, equip-
- 21 ment, and procedures necessary to prevent stroke
- and to treat and rehabilitate stroke patients. In de-
- veloping and implementing statewide stroke care sys-
- tems, each State that is awarded such a grant
- shall—

1	"(A) oversee the design and implementa-
2	tion of the statewide stroke care system;
3	"(B) enhance, develop, and implement
4	model curricula for training emergency medical
5	services personnel, including dispatchers, first
6	responders, emergency medical technicians, and
7	paramedics in the identification, assessment,
8	stabilization, and prehospital treatment of
9	stroke patients;
10	"(C) ensure that stroke patients in the
11	State have access to quality care that is con-
12	sistent with the standards established by the
13	Secretary under section 2823(c);
14	"(D) establish a support network to pro-
15	vide assistance to facilities with smaller popu-
16	lations of stroke patients or less advanced on-
17	site stroke treatment resources; and
18	"(E) carry out any other activities that the
19	State-designated agency determines are useful
20	or necessary for the implementation of the
21	statewide stroke care system.
22	"(2) Access to care.—A State may meet the
23	requirement of paragraph (1)(C) by—
24	"(A) identifying acute stroke centers with
25	personnel, equipment, and procedures adequate

to provide quality treatment to patients in the
acute phase of stroke consistent with the standards established by the Secretary under section
2823(c);

"(B) identifying comprehensive stroke centers with advanced personnel, equipment, and

- "(B) identifying comprehensive stroke centers with advanced personnel, equipment, and procedures to prevent stroke and to treat stroke patients in the acute and post-acute phases of stroke and to provide assistance to area facilities with less advanced stroke treatment resources;
- "(C) identifying stroke rehabilitation centers with personnel, equipment, and procedures to provide quality rehabilitative care to stroke patients consistent with the standards established by the Secretary under section 2823(c); or
- "(D) carrying out any other activities that the designated State agency determines are necessary or useful.
- "(3) SUPPORT NETWORK.—A facility that provides care to stroke patients and that receives support through a support network established under paragraph (1)(D) shall meet the standards and requirements outlined by the State application under

1	paragraph (2) of section 2823(b). The support net-
2	work may include—
3	"(A) the use of telehealth technology con-
4	necting facilities described in such paragraph to
5	more advanced stroke care facilities;
6	"(B) the provision of neuroimaging, lab,
7	and any other equipment necessary to facilitate
8	the establishment of a telehealth network;
9	"(C) the use of phone consultation, where
10	useful;
11	"(D) the use of referral links when a pa-
12	tient needs more advanced care than is avail-
13	able at the facility providing initial care; and
14	"(E) any other assistance determined ap-
15	propriate by the State.
16	"(c) Planning Grants.—
17	"(1) In General.—The Secretary may award
18	a grant to a State to assist such State in formu-
19	lating a plan to develop a statewide stroke care sys-
20	tem or in otherwise meeting the conditions described
21	in subsection (b) with respect to a grant under this
22	section.
23	"(2) Submission to secretary.—The gov-
24	ernor of a State that receives a grant under para-
25	graph (1) shall submit to the Secretary a copy of the

1	plan developed using the amounts provided under
2	such grant. Such plan shall be submitted to the Sec-
3	retary as soon as practicable after the plan has been
4	developed.
5	"(3) Single grant limitation.—To be eligi-
6	ble to receive a grant under paragraph (1), a State
7	shall not have previously received a grant under such
8	paragraph.
9	"(d) Model Curriculum.—
10	"(1) Development.—The Secretary shall de-
11	velop a model curriculum for training emergency
12	medical services personnel, including dispatchers,
13	first responders, emergency medical technicians, and
14	paramedics in the identification, assessment, sta-
15	bilization, and prehospital treatment of stroke pa-
16	tients.
17	"(2) Implementation.—The model curriculum
18	developed under paragraph (1) may be implemented
19	by a State to fulfill the requirements of subsection
20	(b)(1)(B).
21	"SEC. 2822. REQUIREMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR FIS-
22	CAL YEARS SUBSEQUENT TO FIRST FISCAL
23	YEAR OF PAYMENTS.
24	"(a) Non-Federal Contributions.—

1	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may not
2	award grants under section 2821(a) unless the State
3	involved agrees, with respect to the costs described
4	in paragraph (2), to make available for each year
5	during which the State receives funding under such
6	section, non-Federal contributions (in cash or in
7	kind under subsection $(b)(1)$ toward such costs in
8	an amount equal to—
9	"(A) for the second and third fiscal years
10	of such payments to the State, not less than \$1
11	for each \$3 of Federal funds provided in such
12	payments for each such fiscal year;
13	"(B) for the fourth fiscal year of such pay-
14	ments to the State, not less than \$1 for each
15	\$2 of Federal funds provided in such payments
16	for such fiscal year; and
17	"(C) for any subsequent fiscal year of such
18	payments to the State, not less than \$1 for
19	each \$1 of Federal funds provided in such pay-
20	ments for such fiscal year.
21	"(2) Program costs.—The costs referred to
22	in paragraph (1) are the costs to be incurred by the

State in carrying out the purpose described in sec-

tion 2821(b).

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- 1 "(3) Initial year of payments.—The Sec-
- 2 retary may not require a State to make non-Federal
- 3 contributions as a condition of receiving payments
- 4 under section 2821(a) for the first fiscal year of
- 5 such payments to the State.
- 6 "(b) Determination of Amount of Non-Fed-
- 7 ERAL CONTRIBUTIONS.—With respect to compliance
- 8 under subsection (a) as a condition of receiving payments
- 9 under section 2811(a)—
- 10 "(1) a State may make the non-Federal con-
- tributions required in such subsection in cash or in
- kind, fairly evaluated, including plant, equipment, or
- 13 services; and
- 14 "(2) the Secretary may not, in making a deter-
- mination of the amount of non-Federal contribu-
- tions, include amounts provided by the Federal Gov-
- ernment or services assisted or subsidized by a sig-
- 18 nificant extent by the Federal Government.
- 19 "SEC. 2823. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.
- 20 "(a) Requirement of Application.—The Sec-
- 21 retary may not award a grant to a State under section
- 22 2821(b) unless an application for the grant is submitted
- 23 by the State to the Secretary.
- 24 "(b) Application Process and Guidelines.—The
- 25 Secretary shall provide for an application process and de-

1	velop guidelines to assist States in submitting an applica-
2	tion under this section that—
3	"(1) outlines the stroke care system and ex-
4	plains how such system will ensure that stroke pa-
5	tients throughout the State have access to quality
6	care in all phases of stroke, consistent with the
7	standards established by the Secretary under sub-
8	section (e);
9	"(2) contains standards and requirements for
10	facilities in the State that provide basic preventive
11	services, advanced preventive services, acute stroke
12	care, post-acute stroke care, and rehabilitation serv-
13	ices to stroke patients; and
14	"(3) provides for the establishment of a central
15	data reporting and analysis system and for the col-
16	lection of data from each facility that will provide di-
17	rect care to stroke patients in the State—
18	"(A) to identify the number of stroke pa-
19	tients treated in the State;
20	"(B) to monitor patient care in the State
21	for stroke patients at all phases of stroke for
22	the purpose of evaluating the diagnosis, treat-
23	ment, and treatment outcome of such stroke
24	patients;

1	"(C) to identify the total amount of un-
2	compensated and under-compensated stroke
3	care expenditures for each fiscal year by each
4	stroke care facility in the State;
5	"(D) to identify the number of acute
6	stroke patients who receive advanced drug ther-
7	apy;
8	"(E) to identify patients transferred within
9	the statewide stroke care system, including rea-
10	sons for such transfer; and
11	"(F) to communicate to the greatest extent
12	practicable with the Paul Coverdell National
13	Acute Stroke Registry and Clearinghouse.
14	"(c) Certain Standards With Respect to
15	STATEWIDE STROKE CARE SYSTEM.—
16	"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may not
17	award a grant to a State under section 2821(a) for
18	a fiscal year unless the State agrees that, in car-
19	rying out paragraphs (2) and (3), the State will—
20	"(A) adopt standards of care for stroke pa-
21	tients in the acute, post-acute, and rehabilita-
22	tion phases of stroke; and
23	"(B) in adopting the standards described
24	in subparagraph (A)—

1	"(i) consult with medical, surgical,
2	and nursing specialty groups, hospital as-
3	sociations, voluntary health organizations,
4	State offices of rural health, emergency
5	medical services State and local directors,
6	experts in the use of telecommunications
7	technology to provide stroke care, con-
8	cerned advocates, and other interested par-
9	ties;
10	"(ii) conduct hearings on the proposed
11	standards providing adequate notice to the
12	public concerning such hearing; and
13	"(iii) beginning in fiscal year 2004,
14	take into account the national standards of
15	care.
16	"(2) Quality of Stroke care.—The highest
17	quality of stroke care shall be the primary goal of
18	the State standards adopted under this subsection.
19	"(3) Approval by secretary.—The Sec-
20	retary may not make payments to a State under sec-
21	tion 2821(a) if the Secretary determines that—
22	"(A) the State has not taken into account
23	national standards in adopting standards under
24	this subsection;

1	"(B) in the case of payments for fiscal
2	year 2004 and subsequent fiscal years, the
3	State has not, in adopting such standards,
4	taken into account the national standards of
5	care and the model system plan developed
6	under subsection (c); or
7	"(C) in the case of payments for fiscal
8	year 2004 and subsequent fiscal years, the
9	State has not provided to the Secretary the in-
10	formation received by the State pursuant to
11	paragraphs (9) and (10) of subsection (a).
12	"(d) Model Stroke Care System Plan.—Not
13	later than 1 year after the date of enactment of the Stroke
14	Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of 2002, the Sec-
15	retary shall develop standards of care for stroke patients
16	in all phases of stroke that may be adopted for guidance
17	by the State and a model plan for the establishment of
18	statewide stroke care systems. Such plan shall—
19	"(1) take into account national standards;
20	"(2) take into account existing State systems
21	and plans; and
22	"(3) take into account the unique needs of
23	urban and rural communities, different regions of
24	the Nation, and States with varying degrees of es-
25	tablished stroke care infrastructures;

1	"SEC. 2824. REQUIREMENT OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICA-
2	TION CONTAINING CERTAIN AGREEMENTS
3	AND ASSURANCES.
4	"The Secretary may not award grants under section
5	2821(a) to a State for a fiscal year unless—
6	"(1) the State submits an application for the
7	payments containing agreements in accordance with
8	this part;
9	"(2) the agreements are made through certifi-
10	cation from the chief executive officer of the State;
11	"(3) with respect to such agreements, the appli-
12	cation provides assurances of compliance satisfactory
13	to the Secretary;
14	"(4) the application contains the plan provi-
15	sions and the information required to be submitted
16	to the Secretary pursuant to section 2823; and
17	"(5) the application otherwise is in such form,
18	is made in such manner, and contains such agree-
19	ments, assurances, and information as the Secretary
20	determines to be necessary to carry out this part.
21	"SEC. 2825. RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF PAYMENTS.
22	"(a) In General.—The Secretary may not, except
23	as provided in subsection (b), make payments to a State
24	under section 2821(a) for a fiscal year unless the State
25	involved agrees that the payments will not be expended—

1 "(1) to make cash payments to intended recipi-2 ents of services provided pursuant to such section; 3 "(2) to satisfy any requirement for the expendi-4 ture of non-Federal funds as a condition for the re-5 ceipt of Federal funds; or 6 "(3) to provide financial assistance to any enti-7 ty other than a public or nonprofit private entity. "(b) EXCEPTION.—If the Secretary finds that the 8 purpose described in section 2821(b) cannot otherwise be 10 carried out, the Secretary may, with respect to an other-11 wise qualified State, waive the restriction established in 12 subsection (a)(3). 13 "SEC. 2826. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AGREEMENTS. 14 "(a) Repayment of Payments.— 15 "(1) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary may, in 16 accordance with subsection (b), require a State to 17 repay any payments received by the State pursuant 18 to section 2821(a) that the Secretary determines 19 were not expended by the State in accordance with 20 the agreements required to be made by the State as 21 a condition of the receipt of payments under such 22 section. 23 "(2) Offset of amounts.—If a State fails to 24 make a repayment required in paragraph (1), the

Secretary may offset the amount of the repayment

1	against any amount due to be paid to the State
2	under section 2821(a).
3	"(b) Opportunity for a Hearing.—Before requir-
4	ing repayment of payments under subsection (a)(1), the
5	Secretary shall provide to the State an opportunity for a
6	hearing.
7	"SEC. 2827. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.
8	"In awarding grants under this part, the Secretary
9	shall give special consideration to any State that has sub-
10	mitted an application for carrying out programs under
11	such a grant—
12	"(1) in geographic areas in which there is—
13	"(A) a substantial rate of disability result-
14	ing from stroke; or
15	"(B) a substantial incidence of stroke; or
16	"(2) that demonstrates a significant need for
17	assistance in establishing a comprehensive stroke
18	care system.
19	"SEC. 2828. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND PROVISION BY
20	SECRETARY OF SUPPLIES AND SERVICES IN
21	LIEU OF GRANT FUNDS.
22	"(a) Technical Assistance.—The Secretary shall,
23	without charge to a State receiving payments under sec-
24	tion 2821(a), provide to the State (or to any public or
25	nonprofit entity designated by the State) technical assist-

- 1 ance with respect to the planning, development, and oper-
- 2 ation of any program carried out pursuant to section
- 3 2821(b). The Secretary may provide such technical assist-
- 4 ance directly, through contract, or through grants.
- 5 "(b) Provision by Secretary of Supplies and
- 6 Services in Lieu of Grant Funds.—
- 7 "(1) In General.—Upon the request of a
- 8 State receiving payments under section 2821(a), the
- 9 Secretary may, subject to paragraph (2), provide
- supplies, equipment, and services for the purpose of
- aiding the State in carrying out section 2821(b) and,
- for such purpose, may detail to the State any officer
- or employee of the Department of Health and
- 14 Human Services.
- 15 "(2) Reduction in Payments.—With respect
- to a request described in paragraph (1), the Sec-
- 17 retary shall reduce the amount of payments to the
- 18 State under section 2821(a) by an amount equal to
- the costs of detailing personnel and the fair market
- value of any supplies, equipment, or services pro-
- vided by the Secretary. The Secretary shall, for the
- 22 payment of expenses incurred in complying with
- such request, expend the amounts withheld.

1 "SEC. 2829. REPORT BY SECRETARY.

- 2 "Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment
- 3 of the Stroke Treatment and Ongoing Prevention Act of
- 4 2002, the Secretary shall report to the appropriate com-
- 5 mittees of Congress on the activities of the States carried
- 6 out pursuant to section 2821. Such report shall include
- 7 an assessment of the extent to which Federal and State
- 8 efforts to develop stroke care systems, including the estab-
- 9 lishment of support networks and the identification of
- 10 acute, comprehensive, and rehabilitation stroke centers,
- 11 where applicable, have increased the number of stroke pa-
- 12 tients who have received acute stroke consultation or ther-
- 13 apy within the appropriate timeframe and reduced the
- 14 level of disability due to stroke. Such report may include
- 15 any recommendations of the Secretary for appropriate ad-
- 16 ministrative and legislative initiatives with respect to
- 17 stroke care.

18 "SEC. 2830. FUNDING.

- 19 "(a) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
- 20 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part,
- 21 \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2002, \$75,000,000 for fiscal
- 22 year 2003, \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2004,
- 23 \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2005, and \$125,000,000 for
- 24 fiscal year 2006.
- 25 "(b) Limitation on Administrative Expenses.—
- 26 A State may use not to exceed 10 percent of amounts re-

- 1 ceived under a grant awarded under section 2821(a) for
- 2 administrative expenses.
- 3 "Part D—Miscellaneous Programs
- 4 "SEC. 2831. MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN AD-
- 5 VANCED STROKE TREATMENT AND PREVEN-
- 6 TION.
- 7 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make grants
- 8 to public and non-profit private entities for the develop-
- 9 ment and implementation of education programs for ap-
- 10 propriate medical personnel including medical students,
- 11 emergency physicians, primary care providers, neurolo-
- 12 gists, neurosurgeons, and physical therapists in the use
- 13 of newly developed diagnostic approaches, technologies,
- 14 and therapies for the prevention and treatment of stroke.
- 15 "(b) Distribution of Grants.—In awarding
- 16 grants under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure
- 17 that such grants are equitably distributed among the geo-
- 18 graphical regions of the United States and between urban
- 19 and rural populations.
- 20 "(c) Application.—A public or non-profit private
- 21 entity desiring a grant under subsection (a) shall prepare
- 22 and submit to the Secretary an application at such time,
- 23 in such manner, and containing such information as the
- 24 Secretary may require, including a plan for the rigorous

- 1 evaluation of activities carried out with amounts received
- 2 under such a grant.
- 3 "(d) Use of Funds.—A public or non-profit private
- 4 entity shall use amounts received under a grant under this
- 5 section for the continuing education of appropriate med-
- 6 ical personnel in the use of newly developed diagnostic ap-
- 7 proaches, technologies, and therapies for the prevention
- 8 and treatment of stroke.
- 9 "(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
- 10 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,
- 11 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
- 12 2002 through 2006.
- 13 "Part E—General Provisions Regarding Parts A,
- 14 B, C, AND D
- 15 "SEC. 2841. DEFINITIONS.
- 16 "In this title:
- 17 "(1) STATE.—The term 'State' means each of
- the several States, the District of Columbia, the
- 19 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Indian tribes,
- the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the
- 21 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- 22 "(2) STROKE CARE SYSTEM.—The term 'stroke
- care system' means a statewide system to provide
- for the diagnosis, prehospital care, hospital definitive
- care, and rehabilitation of stroke patients.

1 "(3) STROKE.—The term 'stroke' means a 2 'brain attack' in which blood flow to the brain is in-3 terrupted or in which a blood vessel or aneurysm in 4 the brain breaks or ruptures.

5 "SEC. 2842. CONSULTATIONS.

interested parties.".

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"In carrying out this title, the Secretary shall consult
with medical, surgical, rehabilitation, and nursing specialty groups, hospital associations, voluntary health organizations, emergency medical services, State directors, and
associations, experts in the use of telecommunication technology to provide stroke care, national disability and consumer organizations representing individuals with disabilities and chronic illnesses, concerned advocates, and other

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