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109TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1245

AN ACT

To provide for programs to increase the awareness and knowledge of women and health care providers with respect to gynecologic cancers.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Gynecologic Cancer Education and Awareness Act of 2005'' or ''Johanna's Law''.

SEC. 2. NATIONAL PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this Act as the ''Secretary'') shall carry out a national campaign to increase the awareness and knowledge of health care providers and women with respect to gynecologic cancers.

(b) WRITTEN MATERIALS.—Activities under the national campaign under subsection (a) shall include—

(1) maintaining a supply of written materials that provide information to the public on gynecologic cancers; and

(2) distributing the materials to members of the public upon request.

(c) PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS.—Activities under the national campaign under subsection (a) shall, in accordance with applicable law and regulations, include developing and placing, in telecommunications media, public service announcements intended to encourage women to discuss with their physicians their risks of gynecologic cancers. Such announcements shall inform the public on the manner in which the written materials referred to in subsection (b) can be obtained upon request, and shall call

attention to early warning signs and risk factors based on the best available medical information.

SEC. 3. REPORT AND STRATEGY.

(a) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report including the following:

(1) A description of the past and present activities of the Department of Health and Human Services to increase awareness and knowledge of the public with respect to different types of cancer, including gynecologic cancers.

(2) A description of the past and present activities of the Department of Health and Human Services to increase awareness and knowledge of health care providers with respect to different types of cancer, including gynecologic cancers.

(3) For each activity described pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2), a description of the following:

(A) The funding for such activity for fiscal year 2006 and the cumulative funding for such activity for previous fiscal years.

(B) The background and history of such activity, including—

(i) the goals of such activity;

(ii) the communications objectives of such activity;

(iii) the identity of each agency within the Department of Health and Human Services responsible for any aspect of the activity; and

(iv) how such activity is or was expected to result in change.

(C) How long the activity lasted or is expected to last.

(D) The outcomes observed and the evaluation methods, if any, that have been, are being, or will be used with respect to such activity.

(E) For each such outcome or evaluation method, a description of the associated results, analyses, and conclusions.

(b) STRATEGY.—

(1) DEVELOPMENT; SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 3 months after submitting the report required by subsection (a), the Secretary shall develop and submit to the Congress a strategy for improving efforts to increase awareness and knowledge of the public and health care providers

with respect to different types of cancer, including gynecological cancers.

(2) CONSULTATION.—In developing the strategy under paragraph (1), the Secretary should consult with qualified private sector groups, including nonprofit organizations.

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

For the purpose of carrying out this Act, there is authorized to be appropriated $16,500,000 for the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2009.

Passed the House of Representatives November 14, 2006.

Attest:

Clerk.

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