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116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5572

[Report No. 116–547]

To establish a grant program for family community organizations that provide support for individuals struggling with substance use disorder and their families.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2020

Mr. TRONE (for himself and Mr. MEUSER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

Additional sponsors: Mr. ROUDA, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Mr. VAN DREW, Mr. RYAN, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. ROSE of New York, Mr. COLE, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. MITCHELL, Mr. KIM, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. AMODEI, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. REED, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. WOMACK, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. MCKINLEY, Ms. WILD, Mr. RESCHENTHALER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. KATKO, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. HAGEDORN, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. KELLER, Ms. STEFANIK, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Ms. FINKENAUER, Mr. TURNER, Mr. LUJÁN, and Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma

SEPTEMBER 29, 2020

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[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 9, 2020]

A BILL

To establish a grant program for family community organizations that provide support for individuals struggling with substance use disorder and their families.

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 “Family Support Serv-*
 5 *ices for Addiction Act of 2020”.*

6 **SEC. 2. FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS**
 7 **STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE USE DIS-**
 8 **ORDER.**

9 *Part D of title V of the Public Health Service Act (42*
 10 *U.S.C. 290dd et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the*
 11 *following:*

12 **“SEC. 553. FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS**
 13 **STRUGGLING WITH SUBSTANCE USE DIS-**
 14 **ORDER.**

15 *“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—*

16 *“(1) the term ‘family community organization’*
 17 *means an independent nonprofit organization that—*

18 *“(A) mobilizes resources within and outside*
 19 *of the community of families with individuals*
 20 *living with addiction, to provide a support net-*
 21 *work, education, and evidence-informed tools for*
 22 *families and loved ones of individuals struggling*
 23 *with substance use disorders; and*

24 *“(B) is governed by experts in the field of*
 25 *addiction, which may include—*

1 “(i) experts in evidence-informed inter-
2 ventions for family members;

3 “(ii) experts in the impact of addiction
4 on family systems;

5 “(iii) families who have experience
6 with substance use disorders and addiction;
7 and

8 “(iv) other experts in the field of addic-
9 tion; and

10 “(2) the term ‘family support services’ means re-
11 sources or programs that support families that in-
12 clude an individual with substance use disorder.

13 “(b) GRANTS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary shall
14 award grants to family community organizations to enable
15 such organizations to develop, expand, and enhance evi-
16 dence-informed family support services.

17 “(c) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the costs
18 of a program funded by a grant under this section may
19 not exceed 85 percent.

20 “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—Grants awarded under sub-
21 section (b)—

22 “(1) shall be used to develop, expand, and en-
23 hance community and statewide evidence-informed
24 family support services; and

25 “(2) may be used to—

1 “(A) build connections between family sup-
2 port networks, including providing technical as-
3 sistance between family community organiza-
4 tions and peer support networks, and with other
5 family support services, focused on enhancing
6 knowledge of evidence-informed interventions for
7 family members and loved ones of individuals
8 living with substance use disorders and reducing
9 harm by educating service providers on current
10 evidence regarding addiction and the family, in-
11 cluding—

12 “(i) behavioral health providers, in-
13 cluding such providers focused specifically
14 on family and couples therapy in the con-
15 text of addiction;

16 “(ii) primary care providers;

17 “(iii) providers of foster care services
18 or support services for grandparents, guard-
19 ians, and other extended family impacted
20 by addiction; and

21 “(iv) other family support services that
22 connect to community resources for individ-
23 uals with substance use disorders, including
24 non-clinical community services;

1 “(B) reduce stigma associated with the fam-
2 ily of individuals with substance use disorders
3 by improving knowledge about addiction and its
4 treatment, providing compassionate support, and
5 dispelling myths that perpetuate such stigma;

6 “(C) conduct outreach on issues relating to
7 substance use disorders and family support,
8 which may include education, training, and re-
9 sources with respect to—

10 “(i) building a resilience- and
11 strengths-based approach to prevention of,
12 and living with, addiction in the family;

13 “(ii) identifying the signs of substance
14 use disorder;

15 “(iii) adopting an approach that mini-
16 mizes harm to all family members; and

17 “(iv) families of individuals with a
18 substance use disorder, including with re-
19 spect to—

20 “(I) navigating the treatment and
21 recovery systems;

22 “(II) paying for addiction treat-
23 ment;

24 “(III) education about substance
25 use disorder; and

1 “(IV) avoiding predatory treat-
2 ment programs; and

3 “(D) connect families to evidence-informed
4 peer support programs.

5 “(e) *DATA REPORTING AND PROGRAM OVERSIGHT.*—
6 *With respect to a grant awarded under subsection (a), not*
7 *later than 90 days after the end of the first year of the grant*
8 *period, and annually thereafter for the duration of the*
9 *grant period, the entity shall submit data, as appropriate*
10 *and to the extent practicable, to the Secretary regarding—*

11 “(1) the programs and activities funded by the
12 grant;

13 “(2) health outcomes of the population of indi-
14 viduals with a substance use disorder who received
15 services through programs supported by the grant, as
16 evaluated by an independent program evaluator
17 through the use of outcomes measures, as determined
18 by the Secretary; and

19 “(3) any other information that the secretary
20 may require for the purpose of ensuring that the
21 grant recipient is complying with all the require-
22 ments of the grant.

23 “(f) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.*—*There is*
24 *authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section*
25 *\$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2025.”.*

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