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S. 3686

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide education and training on eating disorders for health care providers and communities, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. TILLIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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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 “Anna Westin Legacy
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MAINTAINING EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON EAT-**
 2 **ING DISORDERS.**

3 Subpart 3 of part B of title V of the Public Health
 4 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 290bb–31 et seq.) is amended by
 5 adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 520N. CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR EATING DIS-**
 7 **ORDERS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON**
 8 **EATING DISORDERS.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through
 10 the Assistant Secretary, shall maintain, directly or by
 11 grant or contract, the Center of Excellence for Eating Dis-
 12 orders (referred to in this section as the ‘Center’) to im-
 13 prove the identification of, interventions for, and treat-
 14 ment of eating disorders in a manner that is culturally
 15 and linguistically appropriate.

16 “(b) ACTIVITIES.—The Center operated pursuant to
 17 subsection (a)—

18 “(1) shall—

19 “(A) provide training and technical assist-
 20 ance for frontline health care providers and
 21 frontline community professionals to carry out
 22 screening, brief intervention, and referral to
 23 treatment for individuals experiencing, or at
 24 risk for, eating disorders;

25 “(B) in carrying out subparagraph (A), de-
 26 velop adaptive training models for frontline

1 health care providers and frontline community
2 professionals to carry out screening, brief inter-
3 vention, and referral to treatment for children
4 and marginalized populations experiencing, or
5 at risk for, eating disorders;

6 “(C) provide technical assistance to other
7 centers of excellence, technical assistance cen-
8 ters, and psychiatric consultation lines of the
9 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
10 Administration or the Health Resources and
11 Services Administration on eating disorder
12 identification, intervention, and referral for
13 treatment; and

14 “(D) coordinate with the Director of the
15 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and
16 the Administrator of the Health Resources and
17 Services Administration to disseminate training
18 to frontline health care providers and frontline
19 community professionals; and

20 “(2) may—

21 “(A) coordinate with electronic health
22 record systems for the integration of protocols
23 pertaining to screening, brief intervention, and
24 referral to treatment for individuals experi-
25 encing, or at risk for, eating disorders;

1 “(B) develop adaptive training models for
2 frontline health care providers and frontline
3 community professionals to carry out screening,
4 brief intervention, and referral to treatment for
5 Members of the Armed Forces and veterans ex-
6 periencing, or at risk for, eating disorders; and

7 “(C) consult with the Secretary of Defense
8 and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on pre-
9 vention, identification, intervention for, and
10 treatment of eating disorders.

11 “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To
12 carry out this section, there is authorized to be appro-
13 priated \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through
14 2027.”.

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