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To provide low-income individuals with opportunities to enter and follow a career pathway in the health professions, and for other purposes.

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Mr. DAVIS of Illinois introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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 section may be cited as the “Pathways to Health
5 Careers Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CAREER PATHWAYS THROUGH HEALTH PROFES-**
7 **SION OPPORTUNITY GRANTS.**

8 Effective October 1, 2023, section 2008 of the Social
9 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1397g) is amended to read as
10 follows:

1 **“SEC. 2008. CAREER PATHWAYS THROUGH HEALTH PRO-**
2 **FESSION OPPORTUNITY GRANTS.**

3 “(a) APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS.—An eligible en-
4 tity desiring a grant under this section for a project shall
5 submit to the Secretary an application for the grant, that
6 includes the following:

7 “(1) A description of how the applicant will use
8 a career pathways approach to train eligible individ-
9 uals for health professions that pay well or will put
10 eligible individuals on a career path to an occupation
11 that pays well, under the project.

12 “(2) A description of the adult basic education
13 and literacy activities, work readiness activities,
14 training activities, and case management and career
15 coaching services that the applicant will use to assist
16 eligible individuals to gain work experience, connec-
17 tion to employers, and job placement, and a descrip-
18 tion of the plan for recruiting, hiring, and training
19 staff to provide the case management, mentoring,
20 and career coaching services, under the project di-
21 rectly or through local governmental, apprenticeship,
22 educational, or charitable institutions.

23 “(3) In the case of an application for a grant
24 under this section for a demonstration project de-
25 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(I)—

1 “(A) a demonstration that the State in
2 which the demonstration project is to be con-
3 ducted has in effect policies or laws that permit
4 certain allied health and behavioral health care
5 credentials to be awarded to people with certain
6 arrest or conviction records (which policies or
7 laws shall include appeals processes, waivers,
8 certificates, and other opportunities to dem-
9 onstrate rehabilitation to obtain credentials, li-
10 censure, and approval to work in the proposed
11 health careers), and a plan described in the ap-
12 plication that will use a career pathway to as-
13 sist participants with such a record in acquiring
14 credentials, licensing, and employment in the
15 specified careers;

16 “(B) a discussion of how the project or fu-
17 ture strategic hiring decisions will demonstrate
18 the experience and expertise of the project in
19 working with job seekers who have arrest or
20 conviction records or employers with experience
21 working with people with arrest or conviction
22 records;

23 “(C) an identification of promising innova-
24 tions or best practices that can be used to pro-
25 vide the training;

1 “(D) a proof of concept or demonstration
2 that the applicant has done sufficient research
3 on workforce shortage or in-demand jobs for
4 which people with certain types of arrest or
5 conviction records can be hired;

6 “(E) a plan for recruiting students who
7 are eligible individuals into the project; and

8 “(F) a plan for providing post-employment
9 support and ongoing training as part of a ca-
10 reer pathway under the project.

11 “(4) In the case of an application for a grant
12 under this section for a demonstration project de-
13 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(II)—

14 “(A) a description of the partnerships,
15 strategic staff hiring decisions, tailored program
16 activities, or other programmatic elements of
17 the project, such as training plans for doulas
18 and other community health workers and train-
19 ing plans for midwives and other allied health
20 professions, that are designed to support a ca-
21 reer pathway in pregnancy, birth, or post-
22 partum services; and

23 “(B) a demonstration that the State in
24 which the demonstration project is to be con-

1 ducted recognizes doulas or midwives, as the
2 case may be.

3 “(5) A demonstration that the applicant has ex-
4 perience working with low-income populations, or a
5 description of the plan of the applicant to work with
6 a partner organization that has the experience.

7 “(6) A plan for providing post-employment sup-
8 port and ongoing training as part of a career path-
9 way under the project.

10 “(7) A description of the support services that
11 the applicant will provide under the project, includ-
12 ing a plan for how child care and transportation
13 support services will be guaranteed and, if the appli-
14 cant will provide a cash stipend or wage supplement,
15 how the stipend or supplement would be calculated
16 and distributed.

17 “(8) A certification by the applicant that the
18 project development included—

19 “(A) consultation with a local workforce
20 development board established under section
21 107 of the Workforce Innovation and Oppor-
22 tunity Act;

23 “(B) consideration of apprenticeship and
24 pre-apprenticeship models registered under the

1 Act of August 16, 1937 (also known as the
2 ‘National Apprenticeship Act’);

3 “(C) consideration of career pathway pro-
4 grams in the State in which the project is to be
5 conducted; and

6 “(D) a review of the State plan under sec-
7 tion 102 or 103 of the Workforce Innovation
8 and Opportunity Act.

9 “(9) A description of the availability and rel-
10 evance of recent labor market information and other
11 pertinent evidence of in-demand jobs or worker
12 shortages.

13 “(10) A certification that the applicant will di-
14 rectly provide or contract for the training services
15 described in the application.

16 “(11) A commitment by the applicant that, if
17 the grant is made to the applicant, the applicant
18 will—

19 “(A) during the planning period for the
20 project, provide the Secretary with any informa-
21 tion needed by the Secretary to establish ade-
22 quate data reporting and administrative struc-
23 ture for the project;

1 “(B) hire a person to direct the project not
2 later than the end of the planning period appli-
3 cable to the project;

4 “(C) accept all technical assistance offered
5 by the Secretary with respect to the grant;

6 “(D) participate in peer technical assist-
7 ance conferences as are regularly scheduled by
8 the Secretary; and

9 “(E) provide all data required by the Sec-
10 retary under subsection (g).

11 “(b) PREFERENCES IN CONSIDERING APPLICA-
12 TIONS.—In considering applications for a grant under this
13 section, the Secretary shall give preference to—

14 “(1) applications submitted by applicants to
15 whom a grant was made under this section or any
16 predecessor to this section;

17 “(2) applications submitted by applicants who
18 have business and community partners in each of
19 the following categories:

20 “(A) State and local government agencies
21 and social service providers, including a State
22 or local entity that administers a State program
23 funded under part A of this title;

24 “(B) institutions of higher education, ap-
25 prenticeship programs, and local workforce de-

1 velopment boards established under section 107
2 of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity
3 Act; and

4 “(C) health care employers, health care in-
5 dustry or sector partnerships, labor unions, and
6 labor-management partnerships;

7 “(3) applications that include opportunities for
8 mentoring or peer support, and make career coach-
9 ing available, as part of the case management plan;

10 “(4) applications which describe a project that
11 will serve a rural area in which—

12 “(A) the community in which the individ-
13 uals to be enrolled in the project reside is lo-
14 cated;

15 “(B) the project will be conducted; or

16 “(C) an employer partnership that has
17 committed to hiring individuals who successfully
18 complete all activities under the project is lo-
19 cated;

20 “(5) applications that include a commitment to
21 providing project participants with a cash stipend or
22 wage supplement; and

23 “(6) applications which have an emergency cash
24 fund to assist project participants financially in
25 emergency situations.

1 “(c) GRANTS.—

2 “(1) COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—

3 “(A) GRANT AUTHORITY.—

4 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in
5 consultation with the Secretary of Labor
6 and the Secretary of Education, may make
7 a grant in accordance with this paragraph
8 to an eligible entity whose application for
9 the grant is approved by the Secretary, to
10 conduct a project designed to train low-in-
11 come individuals for allied health profes-
12 sions, health information technology, physi-
13 cians assistants, nursing assistants, reg-
14 istered nurse, advanced practice nurse,
15 emergency medical technicians, para-
16 medics, and other professions considered
17 part of a health care career pathway
18 model.

19 “(ii) GUARANTEE OF GRANTEES IN
20 EACH STATE AND THE DISTRICT OF CO-
21 LUMBIA.—For each grant cycle, the Sec-
22 retary shall award a grant under this para-
23 graph to at least 2 eligible entities in each
24 State that is not a territory, to the extent
25 there are a sufficient number of applica-

1 tions submitted by the entities that meet
2 the requirements applicable with respect to
3 such a grant. If, for a grant cycle, there
4 are fewer than 2 such eligible entities in a
5 State, the Secretary shall include that in-
6 formation in the report required by sub-
7 section (g)(2) that covers the fiscal year.

8 “(B) GUARANTEE OF GRANTS FOR INDIAN
9 POPULATIONS.—From the amount reserved
10 under subsection (i)(2)(B) for each fiscal year,
11 the Secretary shall award a grant under this
12 paragraph to at least 10 eligible entities that
13 are an Indian tribe, a tribal organization, or a
14 tribal college or university, to the extent there
15 are a sufficient number of applications sub-
16 mitted by the entities that meet the require-
17 ments applicable with respect to such a grant.

18 “(C) GUARANTEE OF GRANTEEES IN THE
19 TERRITORIES.—From the amount reserved
20 under subsection (i)(2)(C) for each fiscal year,
21 the Secretary shall award a grant under this
22 paragraph to at least 2 eligible entities that are
23 located in a territory, to the extent there are a
24 sufficient number of applications submitted by

1 the entities that meet the requirements applica-
2 ble with respect to such a grant.

3 “(2) GRANTS FOR DEMONSTRATION
4 PROJECTS.—

5 “(A) GRANT AUTHORITY.—The Secretary,
6 in consultation with the Secretary of Labor and
7 the Secretary of Education (and, with respect
8 to demonstration projects of the type described
9 in subparagraph (B)(i)(I), the Attorney Gen-
10 eral) shall make a grant in accordance with this
11 subsection to an eligible entity whose applica-
12 tion for the grant is approved by the Secretary,
13 to conduct a demonstration project that meets
14 the requirements of subparagraph (B).

15 “(B) REQUIREMENTS.—The requirements
16 of this subparagraph are the following:

17 “(i) TYPE OF PROJECT.—The dem-
18 onstration project shall be of 1 of the fol-
19 lowing types:

20 “(I) INDIVIDUALS WITH ARREST
21 OR CONVICTION RECORDS DEM-
22 ONSTRATION.—The demonstration
23 project shall be of a type designed to
24 provide education and training for eli-
25 gible individuals with arrest or convic-

1 tion records to enter and follow a ca-
2 reer pathway in the health professions
3 through occupations that pay well and
4 are expected to experience a labor
5 shortage or be in high demand.

6 “(II) MATERNAL MORTALITY CA-
7 REER PATHWAY DEMONSTRATION.—

8 The demonstration project shall be of
9 a type designed to provide education
10 and training for eligible individuals to
11 enter and follow a career pathway in
12 the field of pregnancy, childbirth, and
13 post-partum, in a State that recog-
14 nizes doulas or midwives and that
15 provides payment for services provided
16 by doulas or midwives, as the case
17 may be, under private or public health
18 insurance plans.

19 “(ii) DURATION.—The demonstration
20 project shall be conducted for not less than
21 5 years.

22 “(C) MINIMUM ALLOCATION OF FUNDS
23 FOR EACH TYPE OF DEMONSTRATION
24 PROJECT.—

1 “(i) INDIVIDUALS WITH ARREST OR
2 CONVICTION RECORDS DEMONSTRA-
3 TIONS.—Not less than 25 percent of the
4 amounts made available for grants under
5 this paragraph shall be used to make
6 grants for demonstration projects of the
7 type described in subparagraph (B)(i)(I).

8 “(ii) MATERNAL MORTALITY CAREER
9 PATHWAY DEMONSTRATIONS.—Not less
10 than 25 percent of the amounts made
11 available for grants under this paragraph
12 shall be used to make grants for dem-
13 onstration projects of the type described in
14 subparagraph (B)(i)(II).

15 “(3) GRANT CYCLE.—The grant cycle under
16 this section shall be not less than 5 years, with a
17 planning period of not more than the 1st 12 months
18 of the grant cycle. During the planning period, the
19 amount of the grant shall be in such lesser amount
20 as the Secretary determines appropriate.

21 “(d) USE OF GRANT.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity to which a grant
23 is made under this section shall use the grant in ac-
24 cordance with the approved application for the
25 grant.

1 “(2) SUPPORT TO BE PROVIDED.—

2 “(A) REQUIRED SUPPORT.—A project for
3 which a grant is made under this section shall
4 include the following:

5 “(i) An assessment for adult basic
6 skill competency, and provision of adult
7 basic skills education if necessary for
8 lower-skilled eligible individuals to enroll in
9 the project and go on to enter and com-
10 plete post-secondary training, through
11 means including the following:

12 “(I) Establishing a network of
13 partners that offer pre-training activi-
14 ties for project participants who need
15 to improve basic academic skills or
16 English language proficiency before
17 entering a health occupational train-
18 ing career pathway program.

19 “(II) Offering resources to enable
20 project participants to continue ad-
21 vancing adult basic skill proficiency
22 while enrolled in a career pathway
23 program.

24 “(III) Embedding adult basic
25 skill maintenance as part of ongoing

1 post-graduation career coaching and
2 mentoring.

3 “(ii) A guarantee that child care is an
4 available and affordable support service for
5 project participants through means such as
6 the following:

7 “(I) Referral to, and assistance
8 with, enrollment in a subsidized child
9 care program.

10 “(II) Direct payment to a child
11 care provider if a slot in a subsidized
12 child care program is not available or
13 reasonably accessible.

14 “(III) Payment of co-payments
15 or associated fees for child care.

16 “(iii) Case management plans that in-
17 clude career coaching (with the option to
18 offer appropriate peer support and men-
19 toring opportunities to help develop soft
20 skills and social capital), which may be of-
21 fered on an ongoing basis before, during,
22 and after initial training as part of a ca-
23 reer pathway model.

1 “(iv) A plan to provide project partici-
2 pants with transportation through means
3 such as the following:

4 “(I) Referral to, and assistance
5 with enrollment in, a subsidized trans-
6 portation program.

7 “(II) If a subsidized transpor-
8 tation program is not reasonably
9 available, direct payments to subsidize
10 transportation costs.

11 “(v) In the case of a demonstration
12 project of the type described in subsection
13 (c)(2)(B)(i)(I), access to legal assistance
14 for project participants for the purpose of
15 addressing arrest or conviction records and
16 associated workforce barriers.

17 “(B) ALLOWED SUPPORT.—The goods and
18 services provided under a project for which a
19 grant is made under this section may include
20 the following:

21 “(i) A cash stipend.

22 “(ii) A reserve fund for financial as-
23 sistance to project participants in emer-
24 gency situations.

1 “(iii) Tuition, and training materials
2 such as books, software, uniforms, shoes,
3 and hair nets, and personal protective
4 equipment.

5 “(iv) In-kind resource donations such
6 as interview clothing and conference at-
7 tendance fees.

8 “(v) Assistance with accessing and
9 completing high school equivalency or adult
10 basic education courses as necessary to
11 achieve success in the project and make
12 progress toward career goals.

13 “(vi) Assistance with programs and
14 activities, including legal assistance,
15 deemed necessary to address arrest or con-
16 viction records as an employment barrier.

17 “(vii) Other support services as
18 deemed necessary for family well-being,
19 success in the project, and progress toward
20 career goals.

21 “(3) TRAINING.—A project for which a grant is
22 made under this section shall train project partici-
23 pants to earn a recognized postsecondary credential
24 (including an industry-recognized credential, and a
25 certificate awarded by a local workforce development

1 board established under section 107 of the Work-
2 force Innovation and Opportunity Act) that is
3 awarded in recognition of attainment of measurable
4 technical or occupational skills necessary to gain em-
5 ployment or advance within an occupation, and shall
6 provide each project participant with a number of
7 hours of the training equal to—

8 “(A) not less than the number of hours of
9 training required for certification in that level
10 of skill by the State in which the project is con-
11 ducted; or

12 “(B) if there is no such requirement, such
13 number of hours of training as the Secretary
14 finds is necessary to achieve that skill level.

15 “(4) INCLUSION OF TANF RECIPIENTS.—In the
16 case of a project for which a grant is made under
17 this section that is conducted in a State that has a
18 program funded under part A of title IV, at least 10
19 percent of the eligible individuals to whom support
20 is provided under the project shall meet the income
21 eligibility requirements under that State program,
22 without regard to whether the individuals receive
23 benefits or services directly under that State pro-
24 gram.

1 “(5) INCOME LIMITATION.—An entity to which
2 a grant is made under this section shall not use the
3 grant to provide support to a person who is not an
4 eligible individual.

5 “(6) PROHIBITION.—An entity to which a grant
6 is made under this section shall not use the grant
7 for purposes of entertainment, except that case man-
8 agement and career coaching services may include
9 celebrations of specific career-based milestones such
10 as completing a semester, graduation, or job place-
11 ment.

12 “(e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

13 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide
14 technical assistance—

15 “(A) to assist eligible entities in applying
16 for grants under this section;

17 “(B) that is tailored to meet the needs of
18 grantees at each stage of the administration of
19 projects for which grants are made under this
20 section;

21 “(C) that is tailored to meet the specific
22 needs of Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and
23 tribal colleges and universities;

24 “(D) that is tailored to meet the specific
25 needs of the territories;

1 “(E) that is tailored to meet the specific
2 needs of eligible entities in carrying out dem-
3 onstration projects for which a grant is made
4 under this section; and

5 “(F) to facilitate the exchange of informa-
6 tion among eligible entities regarding best prac-
7 tices and promising practices used in the
8 projects.

9 “(2) PEER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CON-
10 FERENCES.—The Secretary shall hold peer technical
11 assistance conferences for entities to which a grant
12 is made under this section or was made under the
13 immediate predecessor of this section.

14 “(f) EVALUATION OF DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, by
16 grant, contract, or interagency agreement, conduct
17 rigorous and well-designed evaluations of the dem-
18 onstration projects for which a grant is made under
19 this section.

20 “(2) REQUIREMENT APPLICABLE TO INDIVID-
21 UALS WITH ARREST OR CONVICTION RECORDS DEM-
22 ONSTRATION.—In the case of a project of the type
23 described in subsection (c)(2)(B)(i)(I), the evalua-
24 tion shall include identification of successful activi-
25 ties for creating opportunities for developing and

1 sustaining, particularly with respect to low-income
2 individuals with arrest or conviction records, a
3 health professions workforce that has accessible
4 entry points, that meets high standards for edu-
5 cation, training, certification, and professional devel-
6 opment, and that provides increased wages and af-
7 fordable benefits, including health care coverage,
8 that are responsive to the needs of the workforce.

9 “(3) REQUIREMENT APPLICABLE TO MATERNAL
10 MORTALITY CAREER PATHWAY DEMONSTRATION.—

11 In the case of a project of the type described in sub-
12 section (c)(2)(B)(i)(II), the evaluation shall include
13 identification of successful activities for creating op-
14 portunities for developing and sustaining, particu-
15 larly with respect to low-income individuals and
16 other entry-level workers, a career pathway that has
17 accessible entry points, that meets high standards
18 for education, training, certification, and profes-
19 sional development, and that provides increased
20 wages and affordable benefits, including health care
21 coverage, that are responsive to the needs of the
22 birth, pregnancy, and post-partum workforce.

23 “(4) RULE OF INTERPRETATION.—Evaluations
24 conducted pursuant to this subsection may include a
25 randomized controlled trial, but this subsection shall

1 not be interpreted to require an evaluation to include
2 such a trial.

3 “(g) REPORTS.—

4 “(1) TO THE SECRETARY.—An eligible entity
5 awarded a grant to conduct a project under this sec-
6 tion shall submit interim reports to the Secretary on
7 the activities carried out under the project, and, on
8 the conclusion of the project, a final report on the
9 activities. Each such report shall include data on
10 participant outcomes related to graduation rate,
11 graduation timeliness, credential attainment, em-
12 ployment in health professions, overall employment,
13 earnings, participant demographics, and other data
14 specified by the Secretary.

15 “(2) TO THE CONGRESS.—During each Con-
16 gress, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee
17 on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives
18 and the Committee on Finance of the Senate a re-
19 port—

20 “(A) on the demographics of the partici-
21 pants in the projects for which a grant is made
22 under this section;

23 “(B) on the rate of which project partici-
24 pants completed all activities under the
25 projects;

1 “(C) on the employment credentials ac-
2 quired by project participants;

3 “(D) on the employment of project partici-
4 pants on completion of activities under the
5 projects, and the earnings of project partici-
6 pants at entry into employment;

7 “(E) on best practices and promising prac-
8 tices used in the projects;

9 “(F) on the nature of any technical assist-
10 ance provided to grantees under this section;

11 “(G) on, with respect to the period since
12 the period covered in the most recent prior re-
13 port submitted under this paragraph—

14 “(i) the number of applications sub-
15 mitted under this section, with a separate
16 statement of the number of applications re-
17 ferred to in subsection (b)(5);

18 “(ii) the number of applications that
19 were approved, with a separate statement
20 of the number of such applications referred
21 to in subsection (b)(5); and

22 “(iii) a description of how grants were
23 made in any case described in the last sen-
24 tence of subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii); and

1 “(H) that includes an assessment of the ef-
2 fectiveness of the projects with respect to ad-
3 dressing health professions workforce shortages
4 or in-demand jobs.

5 “(h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 “(1) ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSION.—The term
7 ‘allied health profession’ has the meaning given in
8 section 799B(5) of the Public Health Service Act.

9 “(2) CAREER PATHWAY.—The term ‘career
10 pathway’ has the meaning given that term in section
11 3(7) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity
12 Act.

13 “(3) DOULA.—The term ‘doula’ means an indi-
14 vidual who—

15 “(A) has completed 60 hours of
16 foundational training;

17 “(B) is certified by an organization that
18 has been established for not less than 5 years
19 and that requires the completion of continuing
20 education to maintain the certification, to pro-
21 vide non-medical advice, information, emotional
22 support, and physical comfort to an individual
23 during the individual’s pregnancy, childbirth,
24 and post-partum period; and

1 “(C) maintains the certification by com-
2 pleting the required continuing education.

3 “(4) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-
4 tity’ means any of the following entities that dem-
5 onstrates in an application submitted under this sec-
6 tion that the entity has the capacity to fully develop
7 and administer the project described in the applica-
8 tion:

9 “(A) A local workforce development board
10 established under section 107 of the Workforce
11 Innovation and Opportunity Act.

12 “(B) A State or territory, a political sub-
13 division of a State or territory, or an agency of
14 a State, territory, or such a political subdivi-
15 sion, including a State or local entity that ad-
16 ministers a State program funded under part A
17 of this title.

18 “(C) An Indian tribe, a tribal organization,
19 or a tribal college or university.

20 “(D) An institution of higher education (as
21 defined in the Higher Education Act of 1965).

22 “(E) A hospital (as defined in section
23 1861(e)).

24 “(F) A high-quality skilled nursing facility.

1 “(G) A Federally qualified health center
2 (as defined in section 1861(aa)(4)).

3 “(H) A nonprofit organization described in
4 section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code
5 of 1986, a labor organization, or an entity with
6 shared labor-management oversight, that has a
7 demonstrated history of providing health profes-
8 sion training to eligible individuals.

9 “(I) In the case of a demonstration project
10 of the type provided for in subsection
11 (c)(2)(B)(i)(II) of this section, an entity recog-
12 nized by a State, Indian tribe, or tribal organi-
13 zation as qualified to train doulas or midwives,
14 if midwives or doulas, as the case may be, are
15 permitted to practice in the State involved.

16 “(J) An opioid treatment program (as de-
17 fined in section 1861(jjj)(2)), and other high
18 quality comprehensive addiction care providers.

19 “(5) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The term ‘eligible
20 individual’ means an individual whose family income
21 does not exceed 200 percent of the Federal poverty
22 level.

23 “(6) FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL.—The term
24 ‘Federal poverty level’ means the poverty line (as de-
25 fined in section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Rec-

1 conciliation Act of 1981, including any revision re-
2 quired by such section applicable to a family of the
3 size involved).

4 “(7) INDIAN TRIBE; TRIBAL ORGANIZATION.—
5 The terms ‘Indian tribe’ and ‘tribal organization’
6 have the meaning given the terms in section 4 of the
7 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance
8 Act (25 U.S.C. 450b).

9 “(8) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—
10 The term ‘institution of higher education’ has the
11 meaning given the term in section 101 or
12 102(a)(1)(B) of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

13 “(9) MIDWIFE.—The term ‘midwife’ means a
14 midwife who meets, at a minimum, the international
15 definition of the midwife and global standards for
16 midwifery education as established by the Inter-
17 national Confederation of Midwives.

18 “(10) TERRITORY.—The term ‘territory’ means
19 the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United
20 States Virgin Islands, Guam, the Northern Mariana
21 Islands, and American Samoa.

22 “(11) TRIBAL COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.—The
23 term ‘tribal college or university’ has the meaning
24 given the term in section 316(b) of the Higher Edu-
25 cation Act of 1965.

1 “(12) TRIBAL MIDWIFE.—The term ‘tribal mid-
2 wife’ means an individual who is recognized by an
3 Indian tribe (as defined in section 4 of the Indian
4 Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1603)) to
5 practice midwifery for the tribe.

6 “(i) FUNDING.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Out of any funds in the
8 Treasury of the United States not otherwise appro-
9 priated, there are appropriated to the Secretary to
10 carry out this section \$425,000,000 for each of fis-
11 cal years 2024 through 2028.

12 “(2) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Of the amount
13 appropriated for a fiscal year under paragraph (1)
14 of this subsection—

15 “(A) 75 percent shall be available for
16 grants under subsection (c)(1)(A);

17 “(B) 4 percent shall be reserved for grants
18 under subsection (c)(1)(B);

19 “(C) 5 percent shall be reserved for grants
20 under subsection (c)(1)(C);

21 “(D) 6 percent shall be available for dem-
22 onstration project grants under subsection
23 (c)(2);

24 “(E) 6 percent, plus all amounts referred
25 to in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of this

1 paragraph that remain unused after all grant
2 awards are made for the fiscal year, shall be
3 available for the provision of technical assist-
4 ance and associated staffing; and

5 “(F) 4 percent shall be available for study-
6 ing the effects of the demonstration and non-
7 demonstration projects for which a grant is
8 made under this section, and for associated
9 staffing, for the purpose of supporting the rig-
10 orous evaluation of the demonstration projects,
11 and supporting the continued study of the
12 short-, medium-, and long-term effects of all
13 such projects, including the effectiveness of spe-
14 cific elements of the non-demonstration
15 projects.

16 “(j) NONAPPLICABILITY OF PRECEDING SECTIONS
17 OF THIS SUBTITLE.—

18 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
19 graph (2), the preceding sections of this subtitle
20 shall not apply to a grant awarded under this sec-
21 tion.

22 “(2) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN LIMITATIONS ON
23 USE OF GRANTS.—Section 2005(a) (other than para-
24 graphs (2), (3), (5), (6), and (8)) shall apply to a
25 grant awarded under this section to the same extent

1 and in the same manner as such section applies to
2 payments to States under this subtitle.

3 “(k) INCOME DISREGARD.—Amounts paid to an eligi-
4 ble individual as a cash stipend or as emergency assistance
5 under a project for which a grant is made under this sec-
6 tion shall not be considered income for any purpose under
7 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and an entity making
8 such a payment shall not be required to submit an infor-
9 mation return under subtitle F of such Code with respect
10 to the payment.”.

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