

117TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. 4764

To amend the Public Health Service Act to improve reproductive health care of individuals with disabilities.

---

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 3, 2022

Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. REED, Ms. SMITH, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. SANDERS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

---

## A BILL

To amend the Public Health Service Act to improve reproductive health care of individuals with disabilities.

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 “Reproductive Health  
5 Care Accessibility Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) In the United States, there are approxi-  
9 mately 1 in 4 adults with disabilities, 1 in 10 indi-

1 individuals with disabilities who are able to become  
2 pregnant, and approximately 4,100,000 parents with  
3 disabilities.

4 (2) All people, including individuals with dis-  
5 abilities, have the right to decide if, when, and how  
6 to start and raise a family.

7 (3) Title II and III of the Americans with Dis-  
8 abilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq. and  
9 12181 et seq.), section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act  
10 of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), and section 1557 of the  
11 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42  
12 U.S.C. 18116) provide individuals with disabilities  
13 with the right to equitably access and receive health  
14 care.

15 (4) Disabled people face unique barriers when  
16 accessing reproductive health care, including accessi-  
17 bility at health care facilities, lack of accessible med-  
18 ical diagnostic equipment, barriers to accessible trav-  
19 el, delay in receiving preventative services, and lack  
20 of health care providers with training and knowledge  
21 on the needs of individuals with disabilities receiving  
22 reproductive health care.

23 (5) The United States Access Board has estab-  
24 lished standards for accessible medical diagnostic  
25 equipment, however without enforceable standards

1 adopted by the Department of Health and Human  
2 Services and Department of Justice, systemic im-  
3 provements in the availability of accessible medical  
4 diagnostic equipment will not be achieved.

5 (6) Disabled people have an equal right to re-  
6 productive autonomy, but harmful stereotypes create  
7 barriers to getting care that respects that autonomy.

8 (7) Laws that restrict access to reproductive  
9 health care, including abortion care,  
10 disproportionately harm people who already face bar-  
11 riers to reproductive health care which includes dis-  
12 abled people.

13 (8) Individuals with and without disabilities  
14 want children at the same frequency, but individuals  
15 with disabilities experience less likelihood of receiv-  
16 ing contraception counseling and timely prenatal  
17 care, experience a higher rate of sterilization, and  
18 are at a greater risk for adverse pregnancy out-  
19 comes.

20 (9) Diversity and inclusion in the health care  
21 workforce is a critical factor in the delivery of high-  
22 quality, culturally competent health care and im-  
23 proves patient outcomes. However, the rate of stu-  
24 dents and trainees with disabilities in medical and

1 allied health education remains low compared to  
2 those without disabilities.

3 **SEC. 3. PROGRAM FOR TRAINING THE WORKFORCE.**

4 Part D of title VII of the Public Health Service Act  
5 (42 U.S.C. 294 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
6 the following:

7 **“SEC. 760A. PROGRAM FOR TRAINING THE WORKFORCE**  
8 **CONCERNING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE**  
9 **FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through  
11 the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services  
12 Administration and in consultation with the Administrator  
13 of the Administration for Community Living, shall award  
14 grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements to eligible en-  
15 tities to carry out training programs for health care pro-  
16 fessionals providing sexual and reproductive health care  
17 concerning comprehensive disability clinical care curricula.

18 “(b) ELIGIBILITY.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive an  
20 award under this section an entity shall be a public  
21 or private nonprofit entity with demonstrated exper-  
22 tise in serving individuals with disabilities, which  
23 may include—

1           “(A) a multidisciplinary health care pro-  
2           vider who provides reproductive health care,  
3           such as federally qualified health centers;

4           “(B) institutions of higher education, as  
5           defined in section 101 of the Higher Education  
6           Act of 1965, with expertise in reproductive  
7           health care;

8           “(C) an entity primarily led by individuals  
9           with disabilities;

10           “(D) an entity with expertise in reproduc-  
11           tive rights and justice;

12           “(E) an Indian Tribe, Tribal organization,  
13           or urban Indian organization; or

14           “(F) a consortium of entities described in  
15           any of subparagraphs (A) through (E).

16           “(2) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive an  
17           award under this section an eligible entity shall sub-  
18           mit to the Secretary an application at such time, in  
19           such manner, and containing such information as  
20           the Secretary may require, that includes—

21           “(A) a description of the eligible entity’s or  
22           consortium of entities’ expertise in providing  
23           technical assistance and training, including evi-  
24           dence such as—

1           “(i) knowledge of the rights afforded  
2 to individuals with a disability under rel-  
3 evant Federal and State law;

4           “(ii) knowledge of accessibility stand-  
5 ards established by the United States Ac-  
6 cess Board;

7           “(iii) expertise in evidence-based or  
8 evidence-informed practices in providing  
9 sexual and reproductive health care, in-  
10 cluding preventive health care services and  
11 perinatal care, to individuals with disabil-  
12 ities and those facing compounded barriers  
13 to accessing care;

14           “(iv) experience working with health  
15 care providers, public or private nonprofit  
16 entities, or Federal, State, or local agencies  
17 focusing on sexual and reproductive health  
18 care services for individuals with disabil-  
19 ities;

20           “(v) experience working with individ-  
21 uals with disabilities and their families;

22           “(vi) expertise in providing, collecting,  
23 compiling, communicating, and dissemi-  
24 nating information in culturally and lin-

1           guistically appropriate manner especially in  
2           easily accessible formats; and

3           “(vii) experience improving coordina-  
4           tion of services, such as mental health,  
5           substance use disorder prevention, treat-  
6           ment, and recovery support services, social  
7           services, other health care services, and  
8           transportation services for individuals with  
9           disabilities;

10          “(B) a description of the activities to be  
11          funded under the award and the goals of such  
12          activities, including a description of—

13                 “(i) the training or education program  
14                 to be implemented that meets the require-  
15                 ments of subsection (c);

16                 “(ii) the process to be used to identify  
17                 health care providers that will participate  
18                 in the training program, including the  
19                 process to increase diversity in the pool of  
20                 participating providers;

21                 “(iii) the process to be used to engage  
22                 stakeholders in such training, including in-  
23                 dividuals with disabilities; and

1                   “(iv) the eligible entity’s evaluation  
2                   plan to determine the scope and impact of  
3                   the training program;

4                   “(C) an assurance that the recipients of  
5                   the training will receive ongoing and com-  
6                   prehensive training or professional development  
7                   on the sexual and reproductive health care  
8                   needs of individuals with disabilities; and

9                   “(D) any other assurances that the Sec-  
10                  retary may require.

11                  “(3) SUBAWARDS.—An eligible entity or eligible  
12                  consortium receiving an award under this section  
13                  may, for contracting purposes, make subawards to  
14                  individuals or entities with expertise in reproductive  
15                  health care and serving individuals with disabilities.

16                  “(c) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity or entities shall use  
17                  amounts received under this section to carry out a training  
18                  program for health care professionals providing sexual and  
19                  reproductive health care that provides training con-  
20                  cerning—

21                  “(1) comprehensive disability clinical care cur-  
22                  ricula to inform health professionals providing sexual  
23                  and reproductive health care on how to provide ef-  
24                  fective, interprofessional team-based health care;



1           “(2) culturally and linguistically competent care  
2 for individuals with disabilities;

3           “(3) delivering sexual and reproductive health  
4 care for individuals with disabilities in a manner  
5 that emphasizes the independence, self-determina-  
6 tion, and choices of individuals with disabilities with  
7 respect to their sexual and reproductive health  
8 through comprehensive disability clinical care cur-  
9 ricula;

10           “(4) the rights afforded to individuals with dis-  
11 abilities under relevant Federal and State law; and

12           “(5) methods and evidence-based or evidence-in-  
13 formed practices for providing sexual and reproduc-  
14 tive health care, including preventive health care  
15 services, to individuals with disabilities.

16           “(d) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

17           “(1) IN GENERAL.—An entity or entities that  
18 receives an award under this section shall, at the  
19 end of the award period, carry out an evaluation of  
20 any progress made through the program in training  
21 health care professionals providing sexual and repro-  
22 ductive health care, consistent with the purposes of  
23 this section.

24           “(2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
25 the end of the award period, an entity that receives

1 an award under this section shall submit to the Sec-  
2 retary a report on the results of the evaluation con-  
3 ducted under paragraph (1).

4 “(3) SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall annu-  
5 ally compile the reports submitted under paragraph  
6 (2) and submit such compilation to the Committee  
7 on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the  
8 Senate and the Committee on Energy and Com-  
9 merce of the House of Representatives. Such com-  
10 pilations shall be posted on the internet website of  
11 the Department of Health and Human Services in  
12 an accessible format.

13 “(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 “(1) DISABILITY.—The terms ‘disability’ and  
15 ‘disabilities’ have the meaning given such terms for  
16 purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act of  
17 1990.

18 “(2) INDIAN TRIBE.—The terms ‘Indian Tribe’  
19 and ‘Tribal organization’ have the meaning given  
20 such terms in section 4 of the Indian Self-Deter-  
21 mination and Education Assistance Act.

22 “(3) URBAN INDIAN ORGANIZATION.—The term  
23 ‘urban Indian organization’ has the meaning given  
24 such term in section 4 of the Indian Health Care  
25 Improvement Act.

1 “(f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
2 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,  
3 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.  
4 Funds provided to carry out this section shall supplement  
5 not supplant funds otherwise made available to carry out  
6 title VII.”.

7 **SEC. 4. PROGRAM FOR EXPANDING THE REPRODUCTIVE**  
8 **HEALTH CARE PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE.**

9 Part B of title VII of the Public Health Service Act  
10 (42 U.S.C. 293 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
11 the following:

12 **“SEC. 742. PROGRAM FOR EXPANDING THE REPRODUCTIVE**  
13 **HEALTH CARE PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE.**

14 “(a) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this section—

15 “(1) to establish and sustain a competitive  
16 health professions applicant pool of individuals with  
17 disabilities by increasing the total number of individ-  
18 uals with disabilities who pursue a career in sexual  
19 and reproductive health care, including abortion care  
20 and maternal health care; and

21 “(2) to develop a culturally and linguistically  
22 competent health care workforce providing reproduc-  
23 tive health care that will serve unserved and under-  
24 served populations, including individuals with dis-  
25 abilities.

1       “(b) AWARDS.—To assist individuals with disabilities  
2 in undertaking education to enter into the reproductive  
3 health care workforce, the Secretary may award grants,  
4 contracts, or cooperative agreements to public or private  
5 nonprofit health or educational entities, including schools  
6 of medicine, schools of osteopathic medicine, and institu-  
7 tions of higher education, that offer programs, including  
8 graduate programs, in obstetrics and gynecology or pro-  
9 grams for the training of health care providers to enable  
10 such entities to carry out the activities described in sub-  
11 section (d).

12       “(c) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive an  
13 award under subsection (b), an entity described in such  
14 subsection shall submit to the Secretary an application at  
15 such time, in such manner, and containing such informa-  
16 tion as the Secretary may require.

17       “(d) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity shall use amounts  
18 received under an award under subsection (b) to—

19               “(1) conduct or support activities to develop a  
20 competitive applicant pool, through partnership with  
21 public or private nonprofit institutions of higher  
22 education, local educational agencies, health care  
23 providers, such as sexual and reproductive health  
24 care providers and primary care providers, or other  
25 community-based entities, and establish an edu-

1 cation pipeline for individuals with disabilities enter-  
2 ing the reproductive health care workforce;

3 “(2) establish, strengthen, or expand programs  
4 to support the academic performance of individuals  
5 with disabilities participating in activities funded  
6 under this section, including mentorship programs;

7 “(3) identify, recruit, enroll, and retain individ-  
8 uals with disabilities in education and training re-  
9 lated to sexual and reproductive health care;

10 “(4) improve the capacity of the entity involved  
11 to train, recruit, and retain faculty with disabilities  
12 including the payment of such stipends and fellow-  
13 ships as the Secretary may determine appropriate;

14 “(5) carry out activities to improve the informa-  
15 tion resources, clinical education, curricula and com-  
16 petencies of the graduates of the entity involved, as  
17 it relates to individuals with disabilities;

18 “(6) facilitate faculty and student research on  
19 health issues affecting individuals with disabilities,  
20 including research on issues relating to the delivery  
21 of sexual and reproductive health care to individuals  
22 with disabilities;

23 “(7) carry out programs, or offer experiences,  
24 to train students in providing reproductive health  
25 services to individuals with disabilities at commu-

1 nity-based health facilities that provide reproductive  
2 health services;

3 “(8) provide stipends to individuals with disabili-  
4 ties participating in activities funded under this sec-  
5 tion as the Secretary determines appropriate, in  
6 amounts as the Secretary determines appropriate,  
7 with an assurance that such stipends shall not result  
8 in loss of an individual’s Federal or State benefits;  
9 or

10 “(9) any other activities that the Secretary may  
11 require.

12 “(e) PREFERENCE.—In awarding grants, contracts,  
13 or cooperative agreements under this section, the Sec-  
14 retary shall give preference to applications that have been  
15 approved for programs that involve a comprehensive ap-  
16 proach through multiple entities described in subsection  
17 (b) to establish, enhance, and expand educational pro-  
18 grams that will result in the development of a competitive  
19 applicant pool of individuals with disabilities who desire  
20 to pursue careers in reproductive health care services.

21 “(f) CONSIDERATION FOR AWARDS.—In awarding  
22 grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements under this  
23 section, the Secretary shall—

1           “(1) consider current enrollment trends and the  
2 needs of certain populations, including individuals  
3 with disabilities; and

4           “(2) align and coordinate with other training  
5 programs administered by the Health Resources and  
6 Services Administration.

7           “(g) EFFECT ON OTHER PROGRAMS.—Assistance or  
8 stipends provided to an individual under this section shall  
9 not be considered when applying asset or resource limita-  
10 tion provisions related to the eligibility of such individual  
11 for any benefit, assistance, or service provided under any  
12 Federal or State program.

13           “(h) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the end  
14 of the award period, the Secretary shall submit to the  
15 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of  
16 the Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce  
17 of the House of Representatives, a report concerning the  
18 activities carried out under this section to increase the rep-  
19 resentation of individuals with disabilities in the reproduc-  
20 tive health profession and related training programs.

21           “(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
22 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,  
23 \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.  
24 Funds provided to carry out this section shall supplement

1 not supplant funds otherwise made available to carry out  
2 title VII.”.

3 **SEC. 5. EXPANDING THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE**  
4 **NURSING WORKFORCE.**

5 Section 821 of the Public Health Service Act (42  
6 U.S.C. 296m) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
7 lowing:

8 “(d) EXPANDING THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH  
9 CARE NURSING WORKFORCE.—

10 “(1) AWARDS.—To assist individuals with dis-  
11 abilities in undertaking education to enter into the  
12 reproductive nursing workforce, the Secretary may  
13 award grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements  
14 under subsection (a)(1) to eligible entities to enable  
15 such entities to carry out the activities described in  
16 paragraph (4).

17 “(2) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive an  
18 award under paragraph (1), an entity described in  
19 such paragraph shall submit to the Secretary an ap-  
20 plication at such time, in such manner, and con-  
21 taining such information as the Secretary may re-  
22 quire.

23 “(3) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity shall use  
24 amounts received under an award under paragraph  
25 (1) to—



1           “(A) conduct activities to develop a com-  
2           petitive applicant pool, through partnership  
3           with public or private nonprofit institutions of  
4           higher education, local educational agencies,  
5           nurse-managed health clinics, health care pro-  
6           viders, such as reproductive health care pro-  
7           viders and nurses, or other community-based  
8           entities, and establish an education pipeline for  
9           individuals with disabilities entering the repro-  
10          ductive health care nursing workforce;

11           “(B) establish, strengthen, or expand pro-  
12          grams to support the academic performance of  
13          individuals with disabilities participating in ac-  
14          tivities funded under this subsection, including  
15          mentorship programs;

16           “(C) identify, recruit, enroll, and retain in-  
17          dividuals with disabilities in education and  
18          training related to sexual and reproductive  
19          health care;

20           “(D) improve the capacity of the entity in-  
21          volved to train, recruit, and retain faculty with  
22          disabilities, including the payment of such sti-  
23          pends and fellowships as the Secretary may de-  
24          termine appropriate;

1           “(E) carry out activities to improve the in-  
2           formation resources, clinical education, cur-  
3           ricula, and competencies of the graduates of the  
4           entity involved, as it relates to individuals with  
5           disabilities;

6           “(F) facilitate faculty and student research  
7           to include evidence-based practice and quality  
8           improvement projects focused on health issues  
9           affecting individuals with disabilities, including  
10          research on issues relating to the delivery of  
11          sexual and reproductive health care to individ-  
12          uals with disabilities;

13          “(G) carry out programs, or offer experi-  
14          ences, to train students in providing reproduc-  
15          tive health services to individuals with disabil-  
16          ities at community-based health care facilities  
17          that provide reproductive health services;

18          “(H) provide stipends to individuals with  
19          disabilities participating in activities funded  
20          under this subsection as the Secretary deter-  
21          mines appropriate, in amounts as the Secretary  
22          determines appropriate, with an assurance that  
23          such stipends shall not result in the loss of an  
24          individual’s Federal or State benefits; or

1           “(I) any other activities that the Secretary  
2           may require.

3           “(4) PREFERENCE.—In awarding grants, con-  
4           tracts, or cooperative agreements under this sub-  
5           section, the Secretary shall give preference to appli-  
6           cations that have been approved for programs that  
7           involve a comprehensive approach through multiple  
8           entities described in paragraph (1) to establish, en-  
9           hance, and expand educational programs that will  
10          result in the development of a competitive applicant  
11          pool of individuals with disabilities who desire to  
12          pursue careers in reproductive health care services.

13          “(5) CONSIDERATION FOR AWARDS.—In award-  
14          ing grants, contracts, or cooperative agreements  
15          under this subsection, the Secretary shall—

16                 “(A) consider current enrollment trends  
17                 and the needs of certain populations, including  
18                 individuals with disabilities; and

19                 “(B) align and coordinate with other train-  
20                 ing programs administered by the Health Re-  
21                 sources and Services Administration.

22          “(6) EFFECT ON OTHER PROGRAMS.—Assist-  
23          ance or stipends provided to an individual under this  
24          subsection shall not be considered when applying  
25          asset or resource limitation provisions related to the

1 eligibility of such individual for any benefit, assist-  
2 ance, or service provided under any Federal or State  
3 program.

4 “(7) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
5 the end of the award period, the Secretary shall sub-  
6 mit to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor,  
7 and Pensions of the Senate and the Committee on  
8 Energy and Commerce of the House of Representa-  
9 tives, a report concerning the activities carried out  
10 under this subsection to increase the representation  
11 of individuals with disabilities in the reproductive  
12 health profession and related training programs.

13 “(8) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
14 There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out  
15 this subsection, \$15,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
16 2023 through 2027. Funds provided to carry out  
17 this subsection shall supplement not supplant funds  
18 otherwise made available to carry out title VIII.”.

19 **SEC. 6. PROGRAM FOR REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDU-**  
20 **CATION.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
22 Human Services (referred to in this section as the “Sec-  
23 retary”), acting through the Administrator of the Health  
24 Resources and Services Administration and in consulta-  
25 tion with the Administrator of the Administration for

1 Community Living, shall award grants, contracts, or coop-  
2 erative agreements to eligible entities to provide funding  
3 for education programs focused on sexual and reproduc-  
4 tive health needs for individuals with disabilities.

5 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive an  
7 award under this section an entity shall be a public  
8 or private nonprofit entity with a demonstrated ex-  
9 pertise in serving individuals with disabilities, which  
10 may include—

11 (A) a multidisciplinary health care provider  
12 who provides reproductive health care services,  
13 such as a federally qualified health center;

14 (B) institutions of higher education, as de-  
15 fined in section 101 of the Higher Education  
16 Act of 1965, with expertise in reproductive  
17 health care;

18 (C) an entity primarily led by individuals  
19 with disabilities;

20 (D) an entity with expertise in reproduc-  
21 tive rights and justice;

22 (E) an Indian Tribe, Tribal organization,  
23 or urban Indian organization; and

24 (F) a consortium of entities described in  
25 any of subparagraphs (A) through (E).

1           (2) APPLICATION.—To be eligible to receive a  
2           grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under this  
3           section an eligible entity or consortium of entities  
4           shall submit to the Secretary an application at such  
5           time, in such manner, and containing such informa-  
6           tion as the Secretary may require, that includes a  
7           description of the eligible entity’s or entities’ exper-  
8           tise in providing education programs including evi-  
9           dence that such entity has—

10                   (A) knowledge of best practices in pro-  
11                   viding reproductive health care, including pre-  
12                   ventive health care services, to individuals with  
13                   disabilities;

14                   (B) experience working with individuals  
15                   with disabilities and their families; and

16                   (C) demonstrated expertise of developing  
17                   materials in culturally and linguistically acces-  
18                   sible formats including plain language.

19           (3) SUBAWARDS.—An eligible entity or eligible  
20           consortium receiving an award under this section  
21           may, for contracting purposes, make subawards to  
22           individuals or entities with expertise in reproductive  
23           health care and serving individuals with disabilities.

24           (c) USE OF FUNDS.—An entity or entities’ shall use  
25           amounts received under subsection (a) to—

- 1           (1) carry out evidence-based or evidence-in-  
2           formed sexual and reproductive health education  
3           programs for individuals with disabilities, including  
4           youth, in culturally and linguistically accessible for-  
5           mats;
- 6           (2) develop sexual and reproductive health edu-  
7           cation programs in culturally and linguistically ac-  
8           cessible formats to be used in carrying out para-  
9           graph (1);
- 10          (3) provide education to individuals with dis-  
11          abilities, including youth, concerning abortion care  
12          options and their sexual, reproductive, and perinatal  
13          health care needs;
- 14          (4) provide education to individuals with dis-  
15          abilities, including youth, concerning their rights  
16          under relevant Federal and State law;
- 17          (5) provide access to disability affirmative and  
18          supportive clinical resources that are accessible to  
19          individuals with disabilities;
- 20          (6) build the entity's or entities' capacity and  
21          enhance their leadership of the entity or entities  
22          within the community to promote community en-  
23          gagement in, and advancement of, evidence-based or  
24          evidence-informed sexual and reproductive health  
25          care education in easily accessible formats; and

1           (7) support dissemination of newly developed  
2 sexual and reproductive health care education pro-  
3 grams as described in paragraph (2) throughout the  
4 State, territorial, and Tribal communities.

5 (d) EVALUATION AND REPORT.—

6           (1) IN GENERAL.—An entity that receives an  
7 award under this section shall, at the end of the  
8 award period, carry out an evaluation of success of  
9 the entity in achieving the goals of the program for  
10 which the award was made.

11           (2) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after  
12 the end of the award period, an entity that receives  
13 an award under this section shall submit to the Sec-  
14 retary a report on the results of the evaluation con-  
15 ducted under paragraph (1).

16           (3) SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall annually  
17 compile the reports submitted under paragraph (2)  
18 and submit such compilation to the Committee on  
19 Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Sen-  
20 ate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of  
21 the House of Representatives. Such compilations  
22 shall be posted on the internet website of the De-  
23 partment of Health and Human Services in an ac-  
24 cessible format.

25 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:



1           (1) **DISABILITY.**—The terms “disability” and  
2           “disabilities” have the meaning given such terms for  
3           purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act of  
4           1990.

5           (2) **INDIAN TRIBE.**—The terms “Indian Tribe”  
6           and “Tribal organization” have the meaning given  
7           such terms in section 4 of the Indian Self-Deter-  
8           mination and Education Assistance Act.

9           (3) **URBAN INDIAN ORGANIZATION.**—The term  
10          “urban Indian organization” has the meaning given  
11          such term in section 4 of the Indian Health Care  
12          Improvement Act.

13          (f) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There is  
14          authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,  
15          \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

16          **SEC. 7. NATIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER.**

17          (a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The Secretary of Health and  
18          Human Services, acting through the Administration for  
19          Community Living, shall directly, or through a grant, con-  
20          tract, or cooperative agreement, establish a National Tech-  
21          nical Assistance Center to—

22                  (1) provide recommendations and best practices  
23                  to States, Indian Tribes, Tribal organizations, and  
24                  urban Indian organizations concerning improving co-  
25                  ordination of services including mental health and

1 substance use disorder services, social services,  
2 health care, and transportation to increase access to  
3 quality, integrated systems of accessible, comprehen-  
4 sive disability clinical care, and services for individ-  
5 uals with disabilities;

6 (2) provide technical assistance to health care  
7 providers on culturally and linguistically accessible  
8 and appropriate sexual and reproductive health care,  
9 including before, during, and after pregnancy and  
10 perinatal care and family planning services;

11 (3) develop resources and provide technical as-  
12 sistance to assist covered entities in complying with  
13 applicable Federal laws and regulations; and

14 (4) develop resources for individuals with dis-  
15 abilities facing barriers to accessible care, including  
16 related to accessible medical diagnostic equipment  
17 and the Barrier-Free Health Care Initiative.

18 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) DISABILITY.—The terms “disability” and  
20 “disabilities” have the meaning given such terms for  
21 purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act of  
22 1990.

23 (2) INDIAN TRIBE.—The terms “Indian Tribe”  
24 and “Tribal organization” have the meaning given

1 such terms in section 4 of the Indian Self-Deter-  
2 mination and Education Assistance Act.

3 (3) URBAN INDIAN ORGANIZATION.—The term  
4 “urban Indian organization” has the meaning given  
5 such term in section 4 of the Indian Health Care  
6 Improvement Act.

7 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
8 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,  
9 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027.

10 **SEC. 8. RESEARCH STUDY.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and  
12 Human Services, in consultation with the Administrator  
13 of the Administration for Community Living, shall carry  
14 out a study to—

15 (1) identify the types of programs and services  
16 that have demonstrated effectiveness in providing re-  
17 productive health care services for individuals with  
18 disabilities;

19 (2) analyze the effectiveness of Federal, State,  
20 Tribal, and local partnerships to coordinate efforts  
21 to ensure an integrated system of accessible, com-  
22 prehensive reproductive health care for individuals  
23 with disabilities; and

24 (3) identify necessary memoranda of under-  
25 standing or interagency agreements that are needed

1 to foster data and public health research focusing on  
2 reproductive health care barriers for individuals with  
3 disabilities.

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date  
5 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and  
6 Human Services shall submit to the Committee on Health,  
7 Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and the  
8 Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee  
9 on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives,  
10 a report on the results of the study conducted under sub-  
11 section (a).

12 (c) DEFINITION.—In this section the terms “dis-  
13 ability” and “disabilities” have the meanings given such  
14 terms for purposes of the Americans with Disabilities Act  
15 of 1990.

16 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
17 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section,  
18 \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2023.

○