

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 110-361, §2(a), (b)(3), added subsec. (g) and redesignated former subsec. (g) as (f).

2007—Pub. L. 109-482, §104(b)(1)(A)(ii), which directed amendment of subsec. (b) by striking subsec. (f) and redesignating subsec. (g) as (f), could not literally be executed and was not executed in view of amendments by Pub. L. 110-361. See 2008 Amendment notes above.

Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 110-154 substituted “Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development” for “National Institute of Child Health and Human Development”.

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 109-482, §104(b)(1)(A)(i), amended heading and text of par. (3) generally. Text read as follows: “The Director of NIH—

“(A) shall, as appropriate, provide for the coordination of information among centers under paragraph (1) and ensure regular communication between such centers; and

“(B) shall require the periodic preparation of reports on the activities of the centers and the submission of the reports to the Director.”

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 109-482, §103(b)(4), struck out heading and text of subsec. (h). Text read as follows: “For the purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2006. The authorization of appropriations established in the preceding sentence is in addition to any other authorization of appropriations that is available for conducting or supporting through the National Institutes of Health research and other activities with respect to muscular dystrophy.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2007 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-482 applicable only with respect to amounts appropriated for fiscal year 2007 or subsequent fiscal years, see section 109 of Pub. L. 109-482, set out as a note under section 281 of this title.

### §§ 283h, 283i. Transferred

#### CODIFICATION

Section 283h, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IV, §404F, as added Pub. L. 107-280, §3, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 1989; amended Pub. L. 109-482, title I, §§103(b)(5), 104(b)(1)(B), Jan. 15, 2007, 120 Stat. 3687, 3693, which related to the Office of Rare Diseases, was renumbered section 481 of act July 1, 1944, and transferred to section 287a-1 of this title.

Section 283i, act July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IV, §404G, as added Pub. L. 107-280, §4, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 1990; amended Pub. L. 109-482, title I, §103(b)(6), Jan. 15, 2007, 120 Stat. 3687, which related to rare disease regional centers of excellence, was renumbered section 481A of act July 1, 1944, and transferred to section 287a-2 of this title.

### § 283j. Review of centers of excellence

#### (a) In general

Not later than April 1, 2008, and periodically thereafter, the Secretary, acting through the Director of NIH, shall conduct a review and submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Congress on the centers of excellence.

#### (b) Report contents

Each report under subsection (a) shall include the following:

- (1) Evaluation of the performance and research outcomes of each center of excellence.
- (2) Recommendations for promoting coordination of information among centers of excellence.
- (3) Recommendations for improving the effectiveness, efficiency, and outcomes of the centers of excellence.

#### (c) Definition

In this section, the term “center of excellence” means an entity receiving funding under this subchapter in its capacity as a center of excellence.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IV, §404H, as added Pub. L. 109-416, §2(b), Dec. 19, 2006, 120 Stat. 2821.)

### § 283k. Biomedical and behavioral research facilities

#### (a) Modernization and construction of facilities

##### (1) In general

The Director of NIH, acting through the Office of the Director of NIH or the Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, may make grants or contracts to public and nonprofit private entities to expand, remodel, renovate, or alter existing research facilities or construct new research facilities, subject to the provisions of this section.

##### (2) Construction and cost of construction

For purposes of this section, the terms “construction” and “cost of construction” include the construction of new buildings and the expansion, renovation, remodeling, and alteration of existing buildings, including architects’ fees, but do not include the cost of acquisition of land or off-site improvements.

#### (b) Scientific and technical review boards for merit-based review of proposals

##### (1) In general: approval as precondition to grants

###### (A) Establishment

There is established a Scientific and Technical Review Board on Biomedical and Behavioral Research Facilities (referred to in this section as the “Board”).

###### (B) Requirement

The Director of NIH, acting through the Office of the Director of NIH, may approve an application for a grant under subsection (a) of this section only if the Board has under paragraph (2) recommended the application for approval.

##### (2) Duties

###### (A) Advice

The Board shall provide advice to the Director of NIH and the Council of Councils established under section 282(l) of this title (in this section referred to as the “Council”) in carrying out this section.

###### (B) Determination of merit

In carrying out subparagraph (A), the Board shall make a determination of the merit of each application submitted for a grant under subsection (a) of this section, after consideration of the requirements established in subsection (c) of this section, and shall report the results of the determination to the Director of NIH and the Council. Such determinations shall be conducted in a manner consistent with procedures established under section 289a of this title.