

(e) Associate Director for Special Populations**(1) In general**

The Director of the Institute shall designate an Associate Director for Special Populations.

(2) Duties

The Associate Director for Special Populations shall—

(A) develop and coordinate research policies and programs to assure increased emphasis on the mental health needs of women and minority populations;

(B) support programs of basic and applied social and behavioral research on the mental health problems of women and minority populations;

(C) study the effects of discrimination on institutions and individuals, including majority institutions and individuals;

(D) support and develop research designed to eliminate institutional discrimination; and

(E) provide increased emphasis on the concerns of women and minority populations in training programs, service delivery programs, and research endeavors of the Institute.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IV, §464R, as added Pub. L. 102-321, title I, §124(a), July 10, 1992, 106 Stat. 364; amended Pub. L. 102-352, §2(a)(5), Aug. 26, 1992, 106 Stat. 938; Pub. L. 109-482, title I, §103(b)(36), Jan. 15, 2007, 120 Stat. 3688.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 109-482 struck out subsec. (f) which authorized appropriations and provided that at least 15% of the appropriated amounts were to carry out health services research relating to mental health.

1992—Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 102-352 struck out “other than section 285o-4 of this title” after “this subpart”.

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.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-352 effective immediately upon effectuation of amendment made by Pub. L. 102-321, see section 3(1) of Pub. L. 102-352, set out as a note under section 285n of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1992, with provision for programs providing financial assistance, see section 801(c), (d) of Pub. L. 102-321, set out as an Effective Date of 1992 Amendment note under section 236 of this title.

STUDY OF BARRIERS TO INSURANCE COVERAGE OF TREATMENT FOR MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Section 704 of Pub. L. 102-321 directed Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through Director of the National Institute of Mental Health and in consultation with Administrator of Health Care Financing Administration, to conduct a study of the barriers to insurance coverage for the treatment of mental illness and substance abuse and to submit a report to Congress on the results of such study not later than Oct. 1, 1993.

§ 285p-1. Associate Director for Prevention**(a) In general**

There shall be in the Institute an Associate Director for Prevention who shall be responsible

for the full-time coordination and promotion of the programs in the Institute concerning the prevention of mental disorder. The Associate Director shall be appointed by the Director of the Institute from individuals who because of their professional training or expertise are experts in mental disorder and the prevention of such.

(b) Report

The Associate Director for Prevention shall prepare for inclusion in the biennial report made under section 284b¹ of this title a description of the prevention activities of the Institute, including a description of the staff and resources allocated to those activities.

(July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title IV, §464S, as added Pub. L. 102-321, title I, §124(b), July 10, 1992, 106 Stat. 365.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 284b of this title, referred to in subsec. (b), was repealed by Pub. L. 109-482, title I, §104(b)(1)(C), Jan. 15, 2007, 120 Stat. 3693.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1992, with provision for programs providing financial assistance, see section 801(c), (d) of Pub. L. 102-321, set out as an Effective Date of 1992 Amendment note under section 236 of this title.

§ 285p-2. Office of Rural Mental Health Research**(a) In general**

There is established within the Institute an office to be known as the Office of Rural Mental Health Research (hereafter in this section referred to as the “Office”). The Office shall be headed by a director, who shall be appointed by the Director of such Institute from among individuals experienced or knowledgeable in the provision of mental health services in rural areas. The Secretary shall carry out the authorities established in this section acting through the Director of the Office.

(b) Coordination of activities

The Director of the Office, in consultation with the Director of the Institute and with the Director of the Office of Rural Health Policy, shall—

(1) coordinate the research activities of the Department of Health and Human Services as such activities relate to the mental health of residents of rural areas; and

(2) coordinate the activities of the Office with similar activities of public and nonprofit private entities.

(c) Research, demonstrations, evaluations, and dissemination

The Director of the Office may, with respect to the mental health of adults and children residing in rural areas—

(1) conduct research on conditions that are unique to the residents of rural areas, or more serious or prevalent in such residents;

(2) conduct research on improving the delivery of services in such areas; and

(3) disseminate information to appropriate public and nonprofit private entities.

(d) Authority regarding grants and contracts

The Director of the Office may carry out the authorities established in subsection (c) of this

¹ See References in Text note below.