

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subsection (f)(1) of such
2 section is amended by inserting “and for fiscal year
3 2010, \$1,600,000,” after “\$6,000,000,”.

4 (2) AVAILABILITY.—Subsection (f)(2) of such
5 section is amended by striking “2010” and inserting
6 “2014 or until expended”.

7 (c) REPORTS.—

8 (1) QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AND SAVINGS.—
9 Subsection (e)(3) of such section is amended by
10 striking “December 1, 2008” and inserting “March
11 31, 2011”.

12 (2) FINAL REPORT.—Subsection (e)(4) of such
13 section is amended by striking “May 1, 2010” and
14 inserting “March 31, 2013”.

15 **SEC. 1904. GRANTS TO STATES FOR QUALITY HOME VISITA-**
16 **TION PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES WITH YOUNG**
17 **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES EXPECTING CHIL-**
18 **DREN.**

19 Part B of title IV of the Social Security Act (42
20 U.S.C. 621–629i) is amended by adding at the end the
21 following:

1 **“Subpart 3—Support for Quality Home Visitation**
2 **Programs**

3 **“SEC. 440. HOME VISITATION PROGRAMS FOR FAMILIES**
4 **WITH YOUNG CHILDREN AND FAMILIES EX-**
5 **PECTING CHILDREN.**

6 “(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to im-
7 prove the well-being, health, and development of children
8 by enabling the establishment and expansion of high qual-
9 ity programs providing voluntary home visitation for fami-
10 lies with young children and families expecting children.

11 “(b) GRANT APPLICATION.—A State that desires to
12 receive a grant under this section shall submit to the Sec-
13 retary for approval, at such time and in such manner as
14 the Secretary may require, an application for the grant
15 that includes the following:

16 “(1) DESCRIPTION OF HOME VISITATION PRO-
17 GRAMS.—A description of the high quality programs
18 of home visitation for families with young children
19 and families expecting children that will be sup-
20 ported by a grant made to the State under this sec-
21 tion, the outcomes the programs are intended to
22 achieve, and the evidence supporting the effective-
23 ness of the programs.

24 “(2) RESULTS OF NEEDS ASSESSMENT.—The
25 results of a statewide needs assessment that de-
26 scribes—

1 “(A) the number, quality, and capacity of
2 home visitation programs for families with
3 young children and families expecting children
4 in the State;

5 “(B) the number and types of families who
6 are receiving services under the programs;

7 “(C) the sources and amount of funding
8 provided to the programs;

9 “(D) the gaps in home visitation in the
10 State, including identification of communities
11 that are in high need of the services; and

12 “(E) training and technical assistance ac-
13 tivities designed to achieve or support the goals
14 of the programs.

15 “(3) ASSURANCES.—Assurances from the State
16 that—

17 “(A) in supporting home visitation pro-
18 grams using funds provided under this section,
19 the State shall identify and prioritize serving
20 communities that are in high need of such serv-
21 ices, especially communities with a high propor-
22 tion of low-income families or a high incidence
23 of child maltreatment;

24 “(B) the State will reserve 5 percent of the
25 grant funds for training and technical assist-

1 ance to the home visitation programs using
2 such funds;

3 “(C) in supporting home visitation pro-
4 grams using funds provided under this section,
5 the State will promote coordination and collabo-
6 ration with other home visitation programs (in-
7 cluding programs funded under title XIX) and
8 with other child and family services, health
9 services, income supports, and other related as-
10 sistance;

11 “(D) home visitation programs supported
12 using such funds will, when appropriate, pro-
13 vide referrals to other programs serving chil-
14 dren and families; and

15 “(E) the State will comply with subsection
16 (i), and cooperate with any evaluation con-
17 ducted under subsection (j).

18 “(4) OTHER INFORMATION.—Such other infor-
19 mation as the Secretary may require.

20 “(c) ALLOTMENTS.—

21 “(1) INDIAN TRIBES.—From the amount re-
22 served under subsection (l)(2) for a fiscal year, the
23 Secretary shall allot to each Indian tribe that meets
24 the requirement of subsection (d), if applicable, for
25 the fiscal year the amount that bears the same ratio

1 to the amount so reserved as the number of children
2 in the Indian tribe whose families have income that
3 does not exceed 200 percent of the poverty line bears
4 to the total number of children in such Indian tribes
5 whose families have income that does not exceed 200
6 percent of the poverty line.

7 “(2) STATES AND TERRITORIES.—From the
8 amount appropriated under subsection (m) for a fis-
9 cal year that remains after making the reservations
10 required by subsection (l), the Secretary shall allot
11 to each State that is not an Indian tribe and that
12 meets the requirement of subsection (d), if applica-
13 ble, for the fiscal year the amount that bears the
14 same ratio to the remainder of the amount so appro-
15 priated as the number of children in the State whose
16 families have income that does not exceed 200 per-
17 cent of the poverty line bears to the total number of
18 children in such States whose families have income
19 that does not exceed 200 percent of the poverty line.

20 “(3) REALLOTMENTS.—The amount of any al-
21 lotment to a State under a paragraph of this sub-
22 section for any fiscal year that the State certifies to
23 the Secretary will not be expended by the State pur-
24 suant to this section shall be available for reallocot-
25 ment using the allotment methodology specified in

1 that paragraph. Any amount so reallocated to a State
2 is deemed part of the allotment of the State under
3 this subsection.

4 “(d) MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT.—Beginning with
5 fiscal year 2011, a State meets the requirement of this
6 subsection for a fiscal year if the Secretary finds that the
7 aggregate expenditures by the State from State and local
8 sources for programs of home visitation for families with
9 young children and families expecting children for the then
10 preceding fiscal year was not less than 100 percent of such
11 aggregate expenditures for the then 2nd preceding fiscal
12 year.

13 “(e) PAYMENT OF GRANT.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall make a
15 grant to each State that meets the requirements of
16 subsections (b) and (d), if applicable, for a fiscal
17 year for which funds are appropriated under sub-
18 section (m), in an amount equal to the reimbursable
19 percentage of the eligible expenditures of the State
20 for the fiscal year, but not more than the amount
21 allotted to the State under subsection (c) for the fis-
22 cal year.

23 “(2) REIMBURSABLE PERCENTAGE DEFINED.—

24 In paragraph (1), the term ‘reimbursable percent-
25 age’ means, with respect to a fiscal year—

1 “(A) 85 percent, in the case of fiscal year
2 2010;

3 “(B) 80 percent, in the case of fiscal year
4 2011; or

5 “(C) 75 percent, in the case of fiscal year
6 2012 and any succeeding fiscal year.

7 “(f) ELIGIBLE EXPENDITURES.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In this section, the term
9 ‘eligible expenditures’—

10 “(A) means expenditures to provide vol-
11 untary home visitation for as many families
12 with young children (under the age of school
13 entry) and families expecting children as prac-
14 ticable, through the implementation or expan-
15 sion of high quality home visitation programs
16 that—

17 “(i) adhere to clear evidence-based
18 models of home visitation that have dem-
19 onstrated positive effects on important pro-
20 gram-determined child and parenting out-
21 comes, such as reducing abuse and neglect
22 and improving child health and develop-
23 ment;

24 “(ii) employ well-trained and com-
25 petent staff, maintain high quality super-

1 vision, provide for ongoing training and
2 professional development, and show strong
3 organizational capacity to implement such
4 a program;

5 “(iii) establish appropriate linkages
6 and referrals to other community resources
7 and supports;

8 “(iv) monitor fidelity of program im-
9 plementation to ensure that services are
10 delivered according to the specified model;
11 and

12 “(v) provide parents with—

13 “(I) knowledge of age-appro-
14 priate child development in cognitive,
15 language, social, emotional, and motor
16 domains (including knowledge of sec-
17 ond language acquisition, in the case
18 of English language learners);

19 “(II) knowledge of realistic ex-
20 pectations of age-appropriate child be-
21 haviors;

22 “(III) knowledge of health and
23 wellness issues for children and par-
24 ents;

1 “(IV) modeling, consulting, and
2 coaching on parenting practices;

3 “(V) skills to interact with their
4 child to enhance age-appropriate de-
5 velopment;

6 “(VI) skills to recognize and seek
7 help for issues related to health, devel-
8 opmental delays, and social, emo-
9 tional, and behavioral skills; and

10 “(VII) activities designed to help
11 parents become full partners in the
12 education of their children;

13 “(B) includes expenditures for training,
14 technical assistance, and evaluations related to
15 the programs; and

16 “(C) does not include any expenditure with
17 respect to which a State has submitted a claim
18 for payment under any other provision of Fed-
19 eral law.

20 “(2) PRIORITY FUNDING FOR PROGRAMS WITH
21 STRONGEST EVIDENCE.—

22 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The expenditures, de-
23 scribed in paragraph (1), of a State for a fiscal
24 year that are attributable to the cost of pro-
25 grams that do not adhere to a model of home

1 visitation with the strongest evidence of effec-
2 tiveness shall not be considered eligible expendi-
3 tures for the fiscal year to the extent that the
4 total of the expenditures exceeds the applicable
5 percentage for the fiscal year of the allotment
6 of the State under subsection (c) for the fiscal
7 year.

8 “(B) APPLICABLE PERCENTAGE DE-
9 FINED.—In subparagraph (A), the term ‘appli-
10 cable percentage’ means, with respect to a fiscal
11 year—

12 “(i) 60 percent for fiscal year 2010;

13 “(ii) 55 percent for fiscal year 2011;

14 “(iii) 50 percent for fiscal year 2012;

15 “(iv) 45 percent for fiscal year 2013;

16 or

17 “(v) 40 percent for fiscal year 2014.

18 “(g) NO USE OF OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS FOR
19 STATE MATCH.—A State to which a grant is made under
20 this section may not expend any Federal funds to meet
21 the State share of the cost of an eligible expenditure for
22 which the State receives a payment under this section.

23 “(h) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may waive
25 or modify the application of any provision of this

1 section, other than subsection (b) or (f), to an In-
2 dian tribe if the failure to do so would impose an
3 undue burden on the Indian tribe.

4 “(2) SPECIAL RULE.—An Indian tribe is
5 deemed to meet the requirement of subsection (d)
6 for purposes of subsections (c) and (e) if—

7 “(A) the Secretary waives the requirement;

8 or

9 “(B) the Secretary modifies the require-
10 ment, and the Indian tribe meets the modified
11 requirement.

12 “(i) STATE REPORTS.—Each State to which a grant
13 is made under this section shall submit to the Secretary
14 an annual report on the progress made by the State in
15 addressing the purposes of this section. Each such report
16 shall include a description of—

17 “(1) the services delivered by the programs that
18 received funds from the grant;

19 “(2) the characteristics of each such program,
20 including information on the service model used by
21 the program and the performance of the program;

22 “(3) the characteristics of the providers of serv-
23 ices through the program, including staff qualifica-
24 tions, work experience, and demographic characteris-
25 tics;

1 “(4) the characteristics of the recipients of serv-
2 ices provided through the program, including the
3 number of the recipients, the demographic charac-
4 teristics of the recipients, and family retention;

5 “(5) the annual cost of implementing the pro-
6 gram, including the cost per family served under the
7 program;

8 “(6) the outcomes experienced by recipients of
9 services through the program;

10 “(7) the training and technical assistance pro-
11 vided to aid implementation of the program, and
12 how the training and technical assistance contrib-
13 uted to the outcomes achieved through the program;

14 “(8) the indicators and methods used to mon-
15 itor whether the program is being implemented as
16 designed; and

17 “(9) other information as determined necessary
18 by the Secretary.

19 “(j) EVALUATION.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, by
21 grant or contract, provide for the conduct of an
22 independent evaluation of the effectiveness of home
23 visitation programs receiving funds provided under
24 this section, which shall examine the following:

1 “(A) The effect of home visitation pro-
2 grams on child and parent outcomes, including
3 child maltreatment, child health and develop-
4 ment, school readiness, and links to community
5 services.

6 “(B) The effectiveness of home visitation
7 programs on different populations, including
8 the extent to which the ability of programs to
9 improve outcomes varies across programs and
10 populations.

11 “(2) REPORTS TO THE CONGRESS.—

12 “(A) INTERIM REPORT.—Within 3 years
13 after the date of the enactment of this section,
14 the Secretary shall submit to the Congress an
15 interim report on the evaluation conducted pur-
16 suant to paragraph (1).

17 “(B) FINAL REPORT.—Within 5 years
18 after the date of the enactment of this section,
19 the Secretary shall submit to the Congress a
20 final report on the evaluation conducted pursu-
21 ant to paragraph (1).

22 “(k) ANNUAL REPORTS TO THE CONGRESS.—The
23 Secretary shall submit annually to the Congress a report
24 on the activities carried out using funds made available

1 under this section, which shall include a description of the
2 following:

3 “(1) The high need communities targeted by
4 States for programs carried out under this section.

5 “(2) The service delivery models used in the
6 programs receiving funds provided under this sec-
7 tion.

8 “(3) The characteristics of the programs, in-
9 cluding—

10 “(A) the qualifications and demographic
11 characteristics of program staff; and

12 “(B) recipient characteristics including the
13 number of families served, the demographic
14 characteristics of the families served, and fam-
15 ily retention and duration of services.

16 “(4) The outcomes reported by the programs.

17 “(5) The research-based instruction, materials,
18 and activities being used in the activities funded
19 under the grant.

20 “(6) The training and technical activities, in-
21 cluding on-going professional development, provided
22 to the programs.

23 “(7) The annual costs of implementing the pro-
24 grams, including the cost per family served under
25 the programs.

1 “(8) The indicators and methods used by States
2 to monitor whether the programs are being been im-
3 plemented as designed.

4 “(1) RESERVATIONS OF FUNDS.—From the amounts
5 appropriated for a fiscal year under subsection (m), the
6 Secretary shall reserve—

7 “(1) an amount equal to 5 percent of the
8 amounts to pay the cost of the evaluation provided
9 for in subsection (j), and the provision to States of
10 training and technical assistance, including the dis-
11 semination of best practices in early childhood home
12 visitation; and

13 “(2) after making the reservation required by
14 paragraph (1), an amount equal to 3 percent of the
15 amount so appropriated, to pay for grants to Indian
16 tribes under this section.

17 “(m) APPROPRIATIONS.—Out of any money in the
18 Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated,
19 there is appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this
20 section—

21 “(1) \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

22 “(2) \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2011;

23 “(3) \$150,000,000 for fiscal year 2012;

24 “(4) \$200,000,000 for fiscal year 2013; and

25 “(5) \$250,000,000 for fiscal year 2014.

1 “(n) INDIAN TRIBES TREATED AS STATES.—In this
2 section, paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of section 431(a)
3 shall apply.”.

4 **SEC. 1905. IMPROVED COORDINATION AND PROTECTION**
5 **FOR DUAL ELIGIBLES.**

6 Title XI of the Social Security Act is amended by
7 inserting after section 1150 the following new section:

8 “IMPROVED COORDINATION AND PROTECTION FOR DUAL
9 ELIGIBLES

10 “SEC. 1150A. (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
11 provide, through an identifiable office or program within
12 the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, for a fo-
13 cused effort to provide for improved coordination between
14 Medicare and Medicaid and protection in the case of dual
15 eligibles (as defined in subsection (g)). The office or pro-
16 gram shall—

17 “(1) review Medicare and Medicaid policies re-
18 lated to enrollment, benefits, service delivery, pay-
19 ment, and grievance and appeals processes under
20 parts A and B of title XVIII, under the Medicare
21 Advantage program under part C of such title, and
22 under title XIX;

23 “(2) identify areas of such policies where better
24 coordination and protection could improve care and
25 costs; and