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H. R. 1072

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize supplemental awards to health centers to establish community transformation hubs.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. CLARKE of New York (for herself, Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. BOWMAN, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, and Ms. LEE of California) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 Act may be cited as the “Health Center Commu-
5 nity Transformation Hub Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SUPPLEMENTAL AWARDS TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY**
2 **TRANSFORMATION HUBS.**

3 Section 330 of the Public Health Service Act (42
4 U.S.C. 254b) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (r) as sub-
6 section (s); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (q) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(r) SUPPLEMENTAL AWARDS TO SUPPORT COMMU-
10 NITY TRANSFORMATION.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may award
12 to a health center receiving a grant under another
13 provision of this section, as a supplement to such
14 grant, funds to implement a community trans-
15 formation hub to address the social determinants of
16 health faced by patients served by the health center.

17 “(2) COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION HUB DE-
18 FINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘community
19 transformation hub’ means a network of community-
20 based organizations capable of addressing primary
21 social determinants of health, including—

22 “(A) access to transportation;

23 “(B) food security;

24 “(C) economic security;

25 “(D) education access and quality;

26 “(E) neighborhood safety;

1 “(F) systemic racism; and

2 “(G) health of the built environment.

3 “(3) CONSIDERATION.—In making supple-
4 mental awards under this subsection, the Secretary
5 shall consider—

6 “(A) whether the health center involved
7 has conducted an assessment of the social de-
8 terminants of health facing the health center’s
9 patient population; and

10 “(B) whether the proposed community
11 transformation hub would sufficiently address
12 these determinants.

13 “(4) PARTNERSHIPS.—The Secretary may allow
14 health centers receiving a supplemental award under
15 this subsection to carry out the activities supported
16 through the award in partnership with community-
17 based organizations through a contract, a subgrant,
18 or a memorandum of understanding.

19 “(5) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary
20 may provide technical assistance to award recipients
21 under this subsection with respect to planning, de-
22 velopment, and operation of community trans-
23 formation hubs supported under this subsection.

24 “(6) COORDINATION.—Not later than 1 year
25 after the date of enactment of this subsection, the

1 Secretary, acting through the Administrator of the
2 Health Resources and Services Administration and
3 the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare &
4 Medicaid Services, shall issue guidance on sustaining
5 community transformation hubs funded under this
6 section after such funding terminates.”.

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