

117TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 949

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for teaching health centers graduate medical education.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2021

Mr. RUIZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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additional funding for teaching health centers graduate  
medical education.

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 “Expanding Teaching  
5       Health Centers Act of 2021”.

6       **SEC. 2. TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS GRADUATE MEDICAL**  
7                               **EDUCATION.**

8       Section 340H of the Public Health Service Act (42  
9       U.S.C. 256h) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
10      lowing new subsection:

1 “(k) ADDITIONAL FUNDS.—

2 “(1) AUTHORIZATION AND APPROPRIATION.—

3 There are authorized to be appropriated, and there  
4 are appropriated to the Secretary of Health and  
5 Human Services, from funds not otherwise appro-  
6 priated, \$123,100,000 for fiscal year 2021,  
7 \$76,800,000 for fiscal year 2022, and \$108,800,000  
8 for fiscal year 2023, to carry out paragraph (2), to  
9 remain available until expended.

10 “(2) USE OF FUNDS.—The amounts made  
11 available by paragraph (1) shall be available for the  
12 following purposes—

13 “(A) for making payments to qualified  
14 teaching health centers under this section based  
15 on a per resident amount of not less than  
16 \$160,000 per resident per year;

17 “(B) for making payments to new ap-  
18 proved graduate medical residency training pro-  
19 grams, provided that the number of full-time  
20 equivalent residents for which a qualified teach-  
21 ing health center receives payments pursuant to  
22 subsection (a)(1)(C) for a fiscal year shall not  
23 exceed by more than 6 the number of full-time  
24 equivalent residents for which the center re-

1           ceived such payments for the preceding fiscal  
2           year;

3           “(C) for making payments associated with  
4           the addition of residents at approved graduate  
5           medical residency programs;

6           “(D) for making payments to approved  
7           graduate medical residency training programs  
8           pursuant to subsection (g)(1) of section 340H  
9           of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.  
10          256h), for the number of residents at a pro-  
11          gram at a number that is no lower than the  
12          highest number of residents in that program for  
13          the period of fiscal years 2016 through 2018;

14          “(E) for making payments pursuant to  
15          section 5508(a) of Public Law 111–148 (42  
16          U.S.C. 2931–1), for teaching health center de-  
17          velopment grants to new approved graduate  
18          medical residency programs; and

19          “(F) for making grants to qualified teach-  
20          ing health centers to support the improvement,  
21          renovation, or modernization of infrastructure  
22          at such centers.”.

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