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# H. R. 7249

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide education and training on eating disorders for health care providers and communities, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 28, 2022

Ms. MATSUI (for herself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. DEUTCH, and Mr. VAN DREW) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide education and training on eating disorders for health care providers and communities, and for other purposes.

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 “Anna Westin Legacy  
5       Act of 2022”.

1 **SEC. 2. MAINTAINING EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON EAT-**  
2 **ING DISORDERS.**

3 Subpart 3 of part B of title V of the Public Health  
4 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 290bb–31 et seq.) is amended by  
5 adding at the end the following:

6 **“SEC. 520N. CENTER OF EXCELLENCE FOR EATING DIS-**  
7 **ORDERS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON**  
8 **EATING DISORDERS.**

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through  
10 the Assistant Secretary, shall maintain, by competitive  
11 grant or contract, a Center of Excellence for Eating Dis-  
12 orders (referred to in this section as the ‘Center’) to im-  
13 prove the identification of, interventions for, and treat-  
14 ment of eating disorders in a manner that is culturally  
15 and linguistically appropriate.

16 “(b) SUBGRANTS AND SUBCONTRACTS.—The Center  
17 shall coordinate and implement the activities under sub-  
18 section (c), in whole or in part, by awarding competitive  
19 subgrants or subcontracts—

20 “(1) across geographical regions; and

21 “(2) in a manner that is not duplicative.

22 “(c) ACTIVITIES.—The Center—

23 “(1) shall—

24 “(A) provide training and technical assist-  
25 ance for frontline health care providers and  
26 frontline community professionals to carry out

1 screening, brief intervention, and referral to  
2 treatment for individuals experiencing, or at  
3 risk for, eating disorders;

4 “(B) in carrying out subparagraph (A), de-  
5 velop adaptive training models for frontline  
6 health care providers and frontline community  
7 professionals to carry out screening, brief inter-  
8 vention, and referral to treatment for children  
9 and marginalized populations experiencing, or  
10 at risk for, eating disorders;

11 “(C) provide technical assistance to other  
12 centers of excellence, technical assistance cen-  
13 ters, and psychiatric consultation lines of the  
14 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services  
15 Administration or the Health Resources and  
16 Services Administration on eating disorder  
17 identification, intervention, and referral for  
18 treatment; and

19 “(D) coordinate with the Director of the  
20 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and  
21 the Administrator of the Health Resources and  
22 Services Administration to disseminate training  
23 to frontline health care providers and frontline  
24 community professionals; and

25 “(2) may—

1           “(A) coordinate with electronic health  
2           record systems for the integration of protocols  
3           pertaining to screening, brief intervention, and  
4           referral to treatment for individuals experi-  
5           encing, or at risk for, eating disorders;

6           “(B) develop adaptive training models for  
7           frontline health care providers and frontline  
8           community professionals to carry out screening,  
9           brief intervention, and referral to treatment for  
10          Members of the Armed Forces and veterans ex-  
11          periencing, or at risk for, eating disorders; and

12          “(C) consult with the Secretary of Defense  
13          and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on pre-  
14          vention, identification, intervention for, and  
15          treatment of eating disorders.

16          “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—To  
17          carry out this section, there is authorized to be appro-  
18          priated \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through  
19          2027.”.

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