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Youth Mental Health Research Act

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Youth Mental Health Research Act - Authorizes the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to: (1) provide for the establishment of a Youth Mental Health Research Network for the conduct or support of youth mental health research and intervention services; and (2) carry out this Act by acting through the Director of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) (the Director) in collaboration with other national research institutes and centers that conduct youth mental health research.

Authorizes the Director to award cooperative agreements, grants, and contracts to governments and private nonprofit entities for: (1) conducting research to meet unmet needs for youth mental health research or training for researchers in youth mental health research techniques; (2) providing youth mental health intervention services; and (3) collaborating with NIMH to build on the scientific findings and clinical techniques of earlier programs, studies, and demonstration projects.

Limits: (1) the number of entities that may be awarded support to 70; and (2) the duration of such support to 5 years, subject to an extension. Requires the Director to ensure that an appropriate number of awards go to entities that agree to: (1) focus primarily on the early detection and intervention of severe mental illness in young people; (2) conduct or coordinate multisite clinical trials of therapies for, or approaches to, the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of early severe mental illness in a community setting; (3) disseminate scientific findings; and (4) adhere to the guidelines, protocols, and practices used in the North American Prodrome Longitudinal Study (NAPLS) and the Recovery After an Initial Schizophrenia Episode (RAISE) initiative.

Requires the Director to: (1) establish a data coordinating center, (2) require the center to provide regular reports on research conducted, and (3) incorporate information reported into the Director of NIH's biennial reports.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 7, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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