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To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide families of disabled children with the opportunity to purchase coverage under the medicaid program for such children, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 13, 2003

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BAUCUS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SMITH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. ENSIGN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. HOLLINGS, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. WARNER, Mr. REID, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. REED, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. MILLER, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. KOHL, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. DODD, Mr. DAYTON, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BIDEN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. CLINTON, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BAYH, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BOND, Mr. HATCH, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. TALENT, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. SANTORUM, and Mr. PRYOR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

SEPTEMBER 30 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 29), 2003

Reported by Mr. GRASSLEY, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

A BILL

To amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide

families of disabled children with the opportunity to purchase coverage under the medicaid program for such children, 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; AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECU-**
 4 **RITY ACT; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

5 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
 6 “Family Opportunity Act of 2003” or the “Dylan Lee
 7 James Act”.

8 (b) **AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.**—Ex-
 9 cept as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in this
 10 Act an amendment is expressed in terms of an amendment
 11 to or repeal of a section or other provision, the reference
 12 shall be considered to be made to that section or other
 13 provision of the Social Security Act.

14 (c) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of
 15 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; amendments to Social Security Act; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Opportunity for families of disabled children to purchase medicaid coverage for such children.
- Sec. 3. Treatment of inpatient psychiatric hospital services for individuals under age 21 in home or community-based services waivers.
- Sec. 4. Development and support of family-to-family health information centers.
- Sec. 5. Restoration of medicaid eligibility for certain SSI beneficiaries.

1 **SEC. 2. OPPORTUNITY FOR FAMILIES OF DISABLED CHIL-**
 2 **DREN TO PURCHASE MEDICAID COVERAGE**
 3 **FOR SUCH CHILDREN.**

4 (a) STATE OPTION TO ALLOW FAMILIES OF DIS-
 5 ABLED CHILDREN TO PURCHASE MEDICAID COVERAGE
 6 FOR SUCH CHILDREN.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902 (42 U.S.C.
 8 1396a) is amended—

9 (A) in subsection (a)(10)(A)(ii)—

10 (i) by striking “or” at the end of sub-
 11 clause (XVII);

12 (ii) by adding “or” at the end of sub-
 13 clause (XVIII); and

14 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
 15 lowing new subclause:

16 “(XIX) who are disabled children
 17 described in subsection (cc)(1);” and

18 (B) by adding at the end the following new
 19 subsection:

20 “(cc)(1) Individuals described in this paragraph are
 21 individuals—

22 “(A) who have not attained 18 years of age;

23 “(B) who would be considered disabled under
 24 section 1614(a)(3)(C) but for having earnings or
 25 deemed income or resources (as determined under
 26 title XVI for children) that exceed the requirements

1 for receipt of supplemental security income benefits;
2 and

3 “(C) whose family income does not exceed such
4 income level as the State establishes and does not
5 exceed—

6 “(i) 250 percent of the income official pov-
7 erty line (as defined by the Office of Manage-
8 ment and Budget, and revised annually in ac-
9 cordance with section 673(2) of the Omnibus
10 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981) applicable
11 to a family of the size involved; or

12 “(ii) such higher percent of such poverty
13 line as a State may establish, except that—

14 “(I) any medical assistance provided
15 to an individual whose family income ex-
16 ceeds 250 percent of such poverty line may
17 only be provided with State funds; and

18 “(II) no Federal financial participa-
19 tion shall be provided under section
20 1903(a) for any medical assistance pro-
21 vided to such an individual.”.

22 (2) INTERACTION WITH EMPLOYER-SPONSORED
23 FAMILY COVERAGE.—Section 1902(cc) (42 U.S.C.
24 1396a(cc)), as added by paragraph (1)(B), is

1 amended by adding at the end the following new
2 paragraph:

3 “(2)(A) If an employer of a parent of an individual
4 described in paragraph (1) offers family coverage under
5 a group health plan (as defined in section 2791(a) of the
6 Public Health Service Act), the State shall—

7 “(i) require such parent to apply for, enroll in,
8 and pay premiums for, such coverage as a condition
9 of such parent’s child being or remaining eligible for
10 medical assistance under subsection
11 (a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) if the parent is determined eligi-
12 ble for such coverage and the employer contributes
13 at least 50 percent of the total cost of annual pre-
14 miums for such coverage; and

15 “(ii) if such coverage is obtained—

16 “(I) subject to paragraph (2) of section
17 1916(h), reduce the premium imposed by the
18 State under that section in an amount that rea-
19 sonably reflects the premium contribution made
20 by the parent for private coverage on behalf of
21 a child with a disability; and

22 “(II) treat such coverage as a third party
23 liability under subsection (a)(25).

24 “(B) In the case of a parent to which subparagraph
25 (A) applies, a State, subject to paragraph (1)(C)(ii), may

1 provide for payment of any portion of the annual premium
 2 for such family coverage that the parent is required to
 3 pay. Any payments made by the State under this subpara-
 4 graph shall be considered, for purposes of section 1903(a),
 5 to be payments for medical assistance.”.

6 (b) ~~STATE OPTION TO IMPOSE INCOME-RELATED~~
 7 ~~PREMIUMS.~~—Section 1916 (42 U.S.C. 1396o) is amend-
 8 ed—

9 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “subsection
 10 (g)” and inserting “subsections (g) and (h)”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
 12 section:

13 “(h)(1) With respect to disabled children provided
 14 medical assistance under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX),
 15 subject to paragraph (2), a State may (in a uniform man-
 16 ner for such children) require the families of such children
 17 to pay monthly premiums set on a sliding scale based on
 18 family income.

19 “(2) A premium requirement imposed under para-
 20 graph (1) may only apply to the extent that—

21 “(A) the aggregate amount of such premium
 22 and any premium that the parent is required to pay
 23 for family coverage under section 1902(cc)(2)(A)(i)
 24 does not exceed 5 percent of the family’s income;
 25 and

1 ~~“(B) the requirement is imposed consistent with~~
 2 ~~section 1902(cc)(2)(A)(ii)(I).~~

3 ~~“(3) A State shall not require prepayment of a pre-~~
 4 ~~mium imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) and shall not~~
 5 ~~terminate eligibility of a child under section~~
 6 ~~1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) for medical assistance under this~~
 7 ~~title on the basis of failure to pay any such premium until~~
 8 ~~such failure continues for a period of not less than 60 days~~
 9 ~~from the date on which the premium became past due.~~
 10 ~~The State may waive payment of any such premium in~~
 11 ~~any case where the State determines that requiring such~~
 12 ~~payment would create an undue hardship.”.~~

13 (e) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section
 14 ~~1903(f)(4) (42 U.S.C. 1396b(f)(4))~~ is amended in the
 15 matter preceding subparagraph (A),
 16 by inserting “1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX),” after
 17 “1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII),”.

18 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 19 this section shall apply to medical assistance for items and
 20 services furnished on or after October 1, 2005.

1 **SEC. 3. TREATMENT OF INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC HOS-**
 2 **PITAL SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS UNDER**
 3 **AGE 21 IN HOME OR COMMUNITY-BASED**
 4 **SERVICES WAIVERS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1915(e) (42 U.S.C.
 6 1396n(c)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1)—

8 (A) in the first sentence, by inserting “, or
 9 would require inpatient psychiatric hospital
 10 services for individuals under age 21,” after
 11 “intermediate care facility for the mentally re-
 12 tarded”; and

13 (B) in the second sentence, by inserting “,
 14 or would require inpatient psychiatric hospital
 15 services for individuals under age 21” before
 16 the period;

17 (2) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “or serv-
 18 ices in an intermediate care facility for the mentally
 19 retarded” each place it appears and inserting “serv-
 20 ices in an intermediate care facility for the mentally
 21 retarded, or inpatient psychiatric hospital services
 22 for individuals under age 21”;

23 (3) in paragraph (2)(C)—

24 (A) by inserting “, or who are determined
 25 to be likely to require inpatient psychiatric hos-
 26 pital services for individuals under age 21,”

1 after “, or intermediate care facility for the
2 mentally retarded”; and

3 (B) by striking “or services in an inter-
4 mediate care facility for the mentally retarded”
5 and inserting “services in an intermediate care
6 facility for the mentally retarded, or inpatient
7 psychiatric hospital services for individuals
8 under age 21”; and

9 (4) in paragraph (7)(A)—

10 (A) by inserting “or would require inpa-
11 tient psychiatric hospital services for individuals
12 under age 21,” after “intermediate care facility
13 for the mentally retarded,”; and

14 (B) by inserting “or who would require in-
15 patient psychiatric hospital services for individ-
16 uals under age 21” before the period.

17 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
18 subsection (a) apply with respect to medical assistance
19 provided on or after January 1, 2004.

20 **SEC. 4. DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF FAMILY-TO-FAM-**
21 **ILY HEALTH INFORMATION CENTERS.**

22 Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 701) is amended by adding
23 at the end the following new subsection:

24 “(c)(1)(A) For the purpose of enabling the Secretary
25 (through grants, contracts, or otherwise) to provide for

1 special projects of regional and national significance for
2 the development and support of family-to-family health in-
3 formation centers described in paragraph (2)—

4 “(i) there is appropriated to the Secretary, out
5 of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
6 priated—

7 “(I) \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2004;

8 “(II) \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 2005; and

9 “(III) \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2006; and

10 “(ii) there is authorized to be appropriated to
11 the Secretary, \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years
12 2007 and 2008.

13 “(B) Funds appropriated or authorized to be appro-
14 priated under subparagraph (A) shall—

15 “(i) be in addition to amounts appropriated
16 under subsection (a) and retained under section
17 502(a)(1) for the purpose of carrying out activities
18 described in subsection (a)(2); and

19 “(ii) remain available until expended.

20 “(2) The family-to-family health information centers
21 described in this paragraph are centers that—

22 “(A) assist families of children with disabilities
23 or special health care needs to make informed
24 choices about health care in order to promote good

1 treatment decisions, cost-effectiveness, and improved
2 health outcomes for such children;

3 “(B) provide information regarding the health
4 care needs of, and resources available for, children
5 with disabilities or special health care needs;

6 “(C) identify successful health delivery models
7 for such children;

8 “(D) develop with representatives of health care
9 providers, managed care organizations, health care
10 purchasers, and appropriate State agencies a model
11 for collaboration between families of such children
12 and health professionals;

13 “(E) provide training and guidance regarding
14 caring for such children;

15 “(F) conduct outreach activities to the families
16 of such children, health professionals, schools, and
17 other appropriate entities and individuals; and

18 “(G) are staffed by families of children with
19 disabilities or special health care needs who have ex-
20 pertise in Federal and State public and private
21 health care systems and health professionals.

22 “(3) The Secretary shall develop family-to-family
23 health information centers described in paragraph (2)
24 under this subsection in accordance with the following:

1 income benefits would be paid under title XVI if
 2 subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section 1611(e)(7)
 3 were applied without regard to the phrase ‘the first
 4 day of the month following’.”.

5 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 6 subsection (a) shall apply to medical assistance for items
 7 and services furnished on or after the first day of the first
 8 calendar quarter that begins after the date of enactment
 9 of this Act.

10 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECUR-**
 11 **RITY ACT; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

12 (a) SHORT TITLE.—*This Act may be cited as the*
 13 *“Family Opportunity Act of 2003” or the “Dylan Lee*
 14 *James Act”.*

15 (b) AMENDMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY ACT.—*Except*
 16 *as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in this Act an*
 17 *amendment is expressed in terms of an amendment to or*
 18 *repeal of a section or other provision, the reference shall*
 19 *be considered to be made to that section or other provision*
 20 *of the Social Security Act.*

21 (c) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—*The table of contents of this*
 22 *Act is as follows:*

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4 *(a) STATE OPTION TO ALLOW FAMILIES OF DISABLED*
 5 *CHILDREN TO PURCHASE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR SUCH*
 6 *CHILDREN.—*

7 *(1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902 (42 U.S.C.*
 8 *1396a) is amended—*

9 *(A) in subsection (a)(10)(A)(ii)—*

10 *(i) by striking “or” at the end of sub-*
 11 *clause (XVII);*

12 *(ii) by adding “or” at the end of sub-*
 13 *clause (XVIII); and*

14 *(iii) by adding at the end the following*
 15 *new subclause:*

16 *“(XIX) who are disabled children*
 17 *described in subsection (cc)(1);”;* and

18 *(B) by adding at the end the following new*
 19 *subsection:*

20 *“(cc)(1) Individuals described in this paragraph are*
 21 *individuals—*

22 *“(A) who have not attained 18 years of age;*

23 *“(B) who would be considered disabled under*
 24 *section 1614(a)(3)(C) but for having earnings or*
 25 *deemed income or resources (as determined under title*

1 *XVI for children) that exceed the requirements for re-*
 2 *ceipt of supplemental security income benefits; and*

3 *“(C) whose family income does not exceed such*
 4 *income level as the State establishes and does not ex-*
 5 *ceed—*

6 *“(i) 250 percent of the income official pov-*
 7 *erty line (as defined by the Office of Management*
 8 *and Budget, and revised annually in accordance*
 9 *with section 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Rec-*
 10 *onciliation Act of 1981) applicable to a family*
 11 *of the size involved; or*

12 *“(ii) such higher percent of such poverty*
 13 *line as a State may establish, except that—*

14 *“(I) any medical assistance provided*
 15 *to an individual whose family income ex-*
 16 *ceeds 250 percent of such poverty line may*
 17 *only be provided with State funds; and*

18 *“(II) no Federal financial participa-*
 19 *tion shall be provided under section 1903(a)*
 20 *for any medical assistance provided to such*
 21 *an individual.”.*

22 *(2) INTERACTION WITH EMPLOYER-SPONSORED*
 23 *FAMILY COVERAGE.—Section 1902(cc) (42 U.S.C.*
 24 *1396a(cc)), as added by paragraph (1)(B), is amend-*
 25 *ed by adding at the end the following new paragraph:*

1 “(2)(A) *If an employer of a parent of an individual*
2 *described in paragraph (1) offers family coverage under a*
3 *group health plan (as defined in section 2791(a) of the Pub-*
4 *lic Health Service Act), the State shall—*

5 “(i) *require such parent to apply for, enroll in,*
6 *and pay premiums for, such coverage as a condition*
7 *of such parent’s child being or remaining eligible for*
8 *medical assistance under subsection*
9 *(a)(10)(A)(i)(XIX) if the parent is determined eligi-*
10 *ble for such coverage and the employer contributes at*
11 *least 50 percent of the total cost of annual premiums*
12 *for such coverage; and*

13 “(ii) *if such coverage is obtained—*

14 “(I) *subject to paragraph (2) of section*
15 *1916(h), reduce the premium imposed by the*
16 *State under that section in an amount that rea-*
17 *sonably reflects the premium contribution made*
18 *by the parent for private coverage on behalf of a*
19 *child with a disability; and*

20 “(II) *treat such coverage as a third party*
21 *liability under subsection (a)(25).*

22 “(B) *In the case of a parent to which subparagraph*
23 *(A) applies, a State, subject to paragraph (1)(C)(i), may*
24 *provide for payment of any portion of the annual premium*
25 *for such family coverage that the parent is required to pay.*

1 *Any payments made by the State under this subparagraph*
 2 *shall be considered, for purposes of section 1903(a), to be*
 3 *payments for medical assistance.”.*

4 *(b) STATE OPTION TO IMPOSE INCOME-RELATED PRE-*
 5 *MIUMS.—Section 1916 (42 U.S.C. 1396o) is amended—*

6 *(1) in subsection (a), by striking “subsection (g)”*
 7 *and inserting “subsections (g) and (h)”;* and

8 *(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-*
 9 *section:*

10 *“(h)(1) With respect to disabled children provided*
 11 *medical assistance under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX),*
 12 *subject to paragraph (2), a State may (in a uniform man-*
 13 *ner for such children) require the families of such children*
 14 *to pay monthly premiums set on a sliding scale based on*
 15 *family income.*

16 *“(2) A premium requirement imposed under para-*
 17 *graph (1) may only apply to the extent that—*

18 *“(A) the aggregate amount of such premium and*
 19 *any premium that the parent is required to pay for*
 20 *family coverage under section 1902(cc)(2)(A)(i) does*
 21 *not exceed 5 percent of the family’s income; and*

22 *“(B) the requirement is imposed consistent with*
 23 *section 1902(cc)(2)(A)(ii)(I).*

24 *“(3) A State shall not require prepayment of a pre-*
 25 *mium imposed pursuant to paragraph (1) and shall not*

1 *terminate eligibility of a child under section*
 2 *1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX) for medical assistance under this*
 3 *title on the basis of failure to pay any such premium until*
 4 *such failure continues for a period of not less than 60 days*
 5 *from the date on which the premium became past due. The*
 6 *State may waive payment of any such premium in any*
 7 *case where the State determines that requiring such pay-*
 8 *ment would create an undue hardship.”.*

9 (c) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.*—Section 1903(f)(4)
 10 (42 U.S.C. 1396b(f)(4)) is amended in the matter preceding
 11 subparagraph (A), by inserting “1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIX),”
 12 after “1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVIII),”.

13 (d) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by this
 14 section shall apply to medical assistance for items and serv-
 15 ices furnished on or after October 1, 2005.

16 **SEC. 3. TREATMENT OF INPATIENT PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL**
 17 **SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS UNDER AGE 21**
 18 **IN HOME OR COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES**
 19 **WAIVERS.**

20 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 1915(c) (42 U.S.C.
 21 1396n(c)) is amended—

22 (1) *in paragraph (1)—*

23 (A) *in the first sentence, by inserting “, or*
 24 *would require inpatient psychiatric hospital*
 25 *services for individuals under age 21,” after “in-*

1 *intermediate care facility for the mentally re-*
2 *tarded*"; and

3 (B) in the second sentence, by inserting “,
4 or would require inpatient psychiatric hospital
5 services for individuals under age 21” before the
6 period;

7 (2) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “or services
8 in an intermediate care facility for the mentally re-
9 tarded” each place it appears and inserting “services
10 in an intermediate care facility for the mentally re-
11 tarded, or inpatient psychiatric hospital services for
12 individuals under age 21”;

13 (3) in paragraph (2)(C)—

14 (A) by inserting “, or who are determined
15 to be likely to require inpatient psychiatric hos-
16 pital services for individuals under age 21,”
17 after “, or intermediate care facility for the men-
18 tally retarded”; and

19 (B) by striking “or services in an inter-
20 mediate care facility for the mentally retarded”
21 and inserting “services in an intermediate care
22 facility for the mentally retarded, or inpatient
23 psychiatric hospital services for individuals
24 under age 21”; and

25 (4) in paragraph (7)(A)—

1 (A) by inserting “or would require inpa-
 2 tient psychiatric hospital services for individuals
 3 under age 21,” after “intermediate care facility
 4 for the mentally retarded,”; and

5 (B) by inserting “or who would require in-
 6 patient psychiatric hospital services for individ-
 7 uals under age 21” before the period.

8 (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by sub-
 9 section (a) apply with respect to medical assistance pro-
 10 vided on or after October 1, 2004.

11 **SEC. 4. DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF FAMILY-TO-FAM-**
 12 **ILY HEALTH INFORMATION CENTERS.**

13 Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 701) is amended by adding
 14 at the end the following new subsection:

15 “(c)(1)(A) For the purpose of enabling the Secretary
 16 (through grants, contracts, or otherwise) to provide for spe-
 17 cial projects of regional and national significance for the
 18 development and support of family-to-family health infor-
 19 mation centers described in paragraph (2)—

20 “(i) there is appropriated to the Secretary, out
 21 of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-
 22 priated—

23 “(I) \$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2005;

24 “(II) \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 2006; and

25 “(III) \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2007; and

1 “(i) there is authorized to be appropriated to
2 the Secretary, \$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008
3 and 2009.

4 “(B) Funds appropriated or authorized to be appro-
5 priated under subparagraph (A) shall—

6 “(i) be in addition to amounts appropriated
7 under subsection (a) and retained under section
8 502(a)(1) for the purpose of carrying out activities
9 described in subsection (a)(2); and

10 “(ii) remain available until expended.

11 “(2) The family-to-family health information centers
12 described in this paragraph are centers that—

13 “(A) assist families of children with disabilities
14 or special health care needs to make informed choices
15 about health care in order to promote good treatment
16 decisions, cost-effectiveness, and improved health out-
17 comes for such children;

18 “(B) provide information regarding the health
19 care needs of, and resources available for, children
20 with disabilities or special health care needs;

21 “(C) identify successful health delivery models
22 for such children;

23 “(D) develop with representatives of health care
24 providers, managed care organizations, health care
25 purchasers, and appropriate State agencies a model

1 *for collaboration between families of such children*
2 *and health professionals;*

3 *“(E) provide training and guidance regarding*
4 *caring for such children;*

5 *“(F) conduct outreach activities to the families of*
6 *such children, health professionals, schools, and other*
7 *appropriate entities and individuals; and*

8 *“(G) are staffed by families of children with dis-*
9 *abilities or special health care needs who have exper-*
10 *tise in Federal and State public and private health*
11 *care systems and health professionals.*

12 *“(3) The Secretary shall develop family-to-family*
13 *health information centers described in paragraph (2) in*
14 *accordance with the following:*

15 *“(A) With respect to fiscal year 2004, such cen-*
16 *ters shall be developed in not less than 25 States.*

17 *“(B) With respect to fiscal year 2005, such cen-*
18 *ters shall be developed in not less than 40 States.*

19 *“(C) With respect to fiscal year 2006, such cen-*
20 *ters shall be developed in all States.*

21 *“(4) The provisions of this title that are applicable to*
22 *the funds made available to the Secretary under section*
23 *502(a)(1) apply in the same manner to funds made avail-*
24 *able to the Secretary under paragraph (1)(A).*

1 “(5) For purposes of this subsection, the term ‘State’
 2 means each of the 50 States and the District of Columbia.”.

3 **SEC. 5. RESTORATION OF MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR CER-**
 4 **TAIN SSI BENEFICIARIES.**

5 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(II) (42
 6 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(II)) is amended—

7 (1) by inserting “(aa)” after “(II)”;

8 (2) by striking “) and” and inserting “and”;

9 (3) by striking “section or who are” and insert-
 10 ing “section), (bb) who are”; and

11 (4) by inserting before the comma at the end the
 12 following: “, or (cc) who are under 21 years of age
 13 and with respect to whom supplemental security in-
 14 come benefits would be paid under title XVI if sub-
 15 paragraphs (A) and (B) of section 1611(c)(7) were
 16 applied without regard to the phrase ‘the first day of
 17 the month following’”.

18 (b) *EFFECTIVE DATE.*—The amendments made by sub-
 19 section (a) shall apply to medical assistance for items and
 20 services furnished on or after October 1, 2004.

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