<u>Transgender Health Care Access Act</u> <u>Section by Section Summary</u>

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Section 5. Improving Medical Education Curricula for Gender-Affirming Care

- Creates a \$10 million HRSA grant program for the development, evaluation, and implementation of model curricula, demonstration projects, and training projects to improve provision of gender-affirming care.
- Eligible entities: health care professions schools; health care delivery sites with fellows, residents, or other health care professional students or trainees; or a licensing or accreditation entity for health care professions schools.
- Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to disseminate model curricula developed under this section.

Section 6. Training Demonstration Program for Gender-Affirming Care

- Creates a \$15 million demonstration program to support:
 - o Training medical residents and fellows to provide gender-affirming care
 - o Training NPs, PAs, nurses and other providers to provide gender-affirming care
 - Establishing, maintaining, or improving academic programs that train students or faculty to provide gender-affirming care or develop evidence-based practices for gender-affirming care
- Eligible entities:
 - o Consortia of teaching health centers and residency/fellowship programs
 - Residency/fellowship programs that provide opportunities for training in community-based settings that provide health care to transgender populations
 - Teaching Health Centers
 - o Federally-qualifies health centers and FQHC look-a-likes
 - o Community mental health centers
 - Rural health clinics
 - o Indian Health Service (IHS) health centers
 - Entities with a demonstrated record of success in providing training for nurse practitioners, physician assistants, health service psychologists, counselors, nurses, or social workers, including such entities that serve pediatric populations.
- Use of Funds:
 - Planning, developing, and operationalizing training programs in gender-affirming care for residents and fellows

 Supporting program administration, professional development, and department organization

Section 7. Expanding Capacity for Gender-Affirming Care at Community Health Centers

- Directs HRSA to award \$15 million in grants or cooperative agreements to promote the capacity of community health centers to provide gender-affirming care to transgender populations.
- Eligible entities:
 - Teaching health centers
 - o Federally-Qualified Health Centers and FQHC look-a-likes
 - o Community mental health centers
 - Rural Health Clinics
 - o IHS health centers
 - State or local entities

Section 8. Training Rural Providers in Gender-Affirming Care

- Directs HHS to award \$5 million in grants or cooperative agreements to eligible entities to establish collaborative networks to improve the quality of gender-affirming care in rural areas.
- Eligible entities:
 - o Public or nonprofit health care providers
 - o Federally-Qualified Health Centers and FQHC look-a-likes
 - Health care professions schools
 - o Health care delivery sites that have health care trainees
 - o A licensing or accreditation entity for health care professions schools

Section 9. Report to Congress

• Requires a report on implementation of the programs under this bill and recommendations for workforce development to improve access to gender affirming care.