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To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize Johanna’s Law,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. NADLER, and Mrs. DINGELL) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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Johanna’s Law, 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. REAUTHORIZATION AND ENHANCEMENT OF**
4 **JOHANNA’S LAW.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 317P(d) of the Public
6 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(D) Activities under the national cam-
10 paign under subparagraph (A) shall include

public service announcements using traditional or digital media under subparagraph (C) targeted to specific higher-risk populations of women based on race, ethnicity, level of acculturation, and family history, including the African-American and Ashkenazi Jewish populations.”; and

(2) by amending paragraph (6) to read as follows:

“(6) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

For the purpose of carrying out this subsection, there is authorized to be appropriated \$45,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2020 through 2022.”.

SEC. 2. DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS REGARDING OUTREACH AND EDUCATION STRATEGIES RELATING TO GYNECOLOGIC CANCER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 317P(d) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)) is amended by inserting after paragraph (4) the following new paragraph:

“(5) DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS REGARDING OUTREACH AND EDUCATION STRATEGIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—

“(i) PROGRAM.—The Secretary may carry out a program to award grants or

1 contracts to public or nonprofit private en-
2 tities for the purpose of carrying out dem-
3 onstration projects to test, compare, and
4 evaluate different evidence-based outreach
5 and education strategies to increase the
6 awareness and knowledge of women and
7 health care providers with respect to
8 gynecologic cancers, including with respect
9 to early warning signs, risk factors, pre-
10 vention, screening, and treatment options.
11 Such strategies shall include efforts di-
12 rected at women and their families, physi-
13 cians, nurses, and key health professionals.

14 “(ii) SCIENCE-BASED RESOURCES.—

15 In making awards under subparagraph
16 (A), the Secretary shall encourage award-
17 ees to use science-based resources such as
18 the Inside Knowledge About Gynecologic
19 Cancer education campaign of the Centers
20 for Disease Control and Prevention.

21 “(B) PREFERENCES IN AWARDING GRANTS

22 OR CONTRACTS.—In making awards under sub-
23 paragraph (A), the Secretary shall give pref-
24 erence to—

1 “(i) applicants with demonstrated ex-
2 pertise in gynecologic cancer education or
3 treatment or in working with groups of
4 women who are at increased risk of
5 gynecologic cancers; and

6 “(ii) applicants that, in the dem-
7 onstration project funded by the grant or
8 contract, will establish linkages between
9 physicians, nurses, and key health profes-
10 sionals, health profession students, hos-
11 pitals, payers, and State health depart-
12 ments.

13 “(C) APPLICATION.—To seek a grant or
14 contract under subparagraph (A), an entity
15 shall submit an application to the Secretary in
16 such form, in such manner, and containing such
17 agreements, assurances, and information as the
18 Secretary determines to be necessary to carry
19 out this paragraph.

20 “(D) CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.—In mak-
21 ing awards under subparagraph (A), the Sec-
22 retary shall—

23 “(i) make awards, as practicable, to
24 not fewer than five applicants; and

1 “(ii) ensure that information provided
2 through demonstration projects under this
3 paragraph is consistent with the best avail-
4 able medical information.

5 “(E) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later
6 than 24 months after the date of the enactment
7 of this paragraph, and annually thereafter, the
8 Secretary shall submit to the Congress a report
9 that—

10 “(i) summarizes the activities of dem-
11 onstration projects under subparagraph
12 (A);

13 “(ii) evaluates the extent to which the
14 projects were effective in increasing aware-
15 ness and knowledge of risk factors and
16 early warning signs in the populations to
17 which the projects were directed; and

18 “(iii) identifies barriers to early detec-
19 tion and appropriate treatment of such
20 cancers.”.

21 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
22 317P(d)(3)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42
23 U.S.C. 247b–17(d)(3)(A)) is amended by inserting
24 “(other than paragraph (5))” after “this section”.

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