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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

A BILL
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the “Building Capacity for
Family-Focused Residential Treatment Act”.

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.
In this Act:

(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible enti-
ty” means a State, county, local, or tribal health or
child welfare agency, a private nonprofit organiza-
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tion, a research organization, a treatment service
provider, an institution of higher education (as de-
finite under section 101 of the Higher Education Act
of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001)), or another entity speci-
fied by the Secretary.

(2) Family-focused residential treatment program.—The term “family-focused resi-
dential treatment program” means a trauma-in-
formed residential program primarily for substance
use disorder treatment for pregnant and postpartum
women and parents and guardians that allows chil-
dren to reside with such women or their parents or
guardians during treatment to the extent appro-
priate and applicable.

(3) Secretary.—The term “Secretary” means
the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

SEC. 3. SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVIDENCE-
BASED FAMILY-FOCUSED RESIDENTIAL
TREATMENT PROGRAMS.

(a) Authority to award grants.—The Secretary
shall award grants to eligible entities for purposes of de-
veloping, enhancing, or evaluating family-focused residen-
tial treatment programs to increase the availability of such
programs that meet the requirements for promising, sup-
ported, or well-supported practices specified in section
(b) Evaluation Requirement.—The Secretary shall require any evaluation of a family-focused residential treatment program by an eligible entity that uses funds awarded under this section for all or part of the costs of the evaluation be designed to assist in the determination of whether the program may qualify as a promising, supported, or well-supported practice in accordance with the requirements of such section 471(e)(4)(C).

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this Act, $20,000,000 for fiscal year 2019, which shall remain available through fiscal year 2023.