



1 public officials and other stakeholders to develop and  
2 implement initiatives to accomplish any of the fol-  
3 lowing goals:

4 “(A) To improve oral health education and  
5 dental disease prevention, including through  
6 community-wide prevention programs, through  
7 the use of dental sealants and fluoride varnish,  
8 and by increasing oral health literacy.

9 “(B) To reduce geographic barriers, lan-  
10 guage barriers, cultural barriers, and other  
11 similar barriers to the provision of dental serv-  
12 ices.

13 “(2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—In this subsection, the  
14 term ‘eligible entity’ means an entity that is—

15 “(A) a State or local dental association;

16 “(B) a State oral health program;

17 “(C) a dental education, dental hygiene, or  
18 postdoctoral dental education program accred-  
19 ited by the Commission on Dental Accredita-  
20 tion; or

21 “(D) a community-based organization  
22 that—

23 “(i) partners with an academic insti-  
24 tution;

1           “(ii) is exempt from tax under section  
2           501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of  
3           1986; and

4           “(iii) partners with public and private  
5           stakeholders to facilitate the provision of  
6           dental services for underserved popu-  
7           lations.”; and

8           (3) in subsection (g), as redesignated by para-  
9           graph (1), by striking “such sums as may be nec-  
10          essary for each of the fiscal years 2001 through  
11          2005” and inserting “\$18,000,000 for each of the  
12          fiscal years 2018 through 2022”.

13 **SEC. 3. GRANTS FOR INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS.**

14          Section 340G of the Public Health Service Act (42  
15          U.S.C. 256g) is amended—

16               (1) in subsection (b)(5)—

17                       (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking  
18                       “and” at the end; and

19                       (B) by adding at the end the following:

20                               “(D) the establishment of dental homes for  
21                               children and adults, including for the aged,  
22                               blind, and disabled populations;

23                               “(E) the establishment of initiatives to re-  
24                               duce the use of emergency departments by indi-  
25                               viduals who seek dental services more appro-

1           priately delivered in a dental primary care set-  
2           ting; and

3                   “(F) the provision of dental care to nurs-  
4           ing home residents;”; and

5           (2) in subsection (f), by striking “\$25,000,000  
6           for the 5-fiscal year period beginning with fiscal year  
7           2008” and inserting “\$13,903,000 for each of fiscal  
8           years 2018 through 2022”.

