

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 4120

AN ACT

To maximize discovery, and accelerate development and availability, of promising childhood cancer treatments, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Childhood Cancer Sur-
3 vivorship, Treatment, Access, and Research Reauthoriza-
4 tion Act of 2022” or the “Childhood Cancer STAR Reau-
5 thorization Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZING AND IMPROVING THE CHILDHOOD**
7 **STAR ACT.**

8 (a) CHILDREN’S CANCER BIOREPOSITORIES.—Sec-
9 tion 417E of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
10 285a–11) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a)—

12 (A) in paragraph (2)(A), by inserting be-
13 fore the period at the end of the second sen-
14 tence the following: “, such as collected samples
15 of both solid tumor cancer and paired samples”;

16 (B) in paragraph (9), by striking “Child-
17 hood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access,
18 and Research Act of 2018” and inserting
19 “Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment,
20 Access, and Research Reauthorization Act of
21 2022”;

22 (C) by redesignating paragraph (10) as
23 paragraph (11); and

24 (D) by inserting after paragraph (9) the
25 following:

1 “(10) REPORT ON RESEARCHER ACCESS TO
2 CHILDREN’S CANCER BIOREPOSITORY SAMPLES.—
3 Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment
4 of the Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment,
5 Access, and Research Reauthorization Act of 2022,
6 the Director of NIH shall—

7 “(A) conduct a review of the procedures
8 established under paragraph (2)(C) and other
9 policies or procedures related to researcher ac-
10 cess to such biospecimens to identify any oppor-
11 tunities to reduce administrative burden, con-
12 sistent with paragraph (2)(D), in a manner
13 that protects personal privacy to the extent re-
14 quired by applicable Federal and State privacy
15 law, at a minimum; and

16 “(B) submit to the Committee on Health,
17 Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate
18 and the Committee on Energy and Commerce
19 of the House of Representatives a report on the
20 findings of the review under subparagraph (A)
21 and whether the Director of NIH plans to make
22 any changes to the policies or procedures con-
23 sidered in such review, based on such find-
24 ings.”; and

1 (2) in subsection (d), by striking “2019 through
2 2023” and inserting “2024 through 2028”.

3 (b) CANCER SURVIVORSHIP PROGRAMS.—Section
4 201 of the Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Ac-
5 cess, and Research Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–180)
6 is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)—

8 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
9 “PILOT PROGRAMS TO EXPLORE” and inserting
10 “RESEARCH TO EVALUATE”

11 (B) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by striking “may make awards to
13 eligible entities to establish pilot pro-
14 grams” and inserting “shall, as appro-
15 priate, make awards to eligible entities to
16 conduct or support research”;

17 (ii) by striking “model systems” and
18 inserting “approaches”;

19 (iii) by inserting “and adolescent”
20 after “childhood”; and

21 (iv) by striking “evaluation of models
22 for”;

23 (C) in paragraph (2)—

24 (i) in subparagraph (A), in the matter
25 preceding clause (i), by inserting “within

1 the existing peer review process,” after
2 “practicable,”; and

3 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(v), by strik-
4 ing “in treating survivors of childhood can-
5 cers” and inserting “in carrying out the
6 activities described in paragraph (1)”;

7 (D) in paragraph (3)(B)(v), by striking
8 “design of systems for the effective transfer of
9 treatment information and care summaries
10 from cancer care providers to other health care
11 providers” and inserting “design tools to sup-
12 port the secure electronic transfer of treatment
13 information and care summaries between health
14 care providers or, as applicable and appropriate,
15 longitudinal childhood cancer survivorship co-
16 horts”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)—

18 (A) in each of paragraphs (1) and (2), by
19 striking “date of enactment of this Act” and in-
20 serting “date of enactment of the Childhood
21 Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access, and
22 Research Reauthorization Act of 2022”;

23 (B) in paragraph (1)—

24 (i) by striking subparagraphs (A) and
25 (C);

1 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph
2 (B) as subparagraph (A); and

3 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
4 lowing:

5 “(B) recommendations for enhancing or
6 promoting activities of the Department of
7 Health and Human Services related to work-
8 force development for health care providers who
9 provide psychosocial care to pediatric cancer pa-
10 tients and survivors.”.

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Attest:

Secretary.

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