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§ 426.6 What activities does the Secretary fund under the Community-Based Organization Projects?

- (a) The Secretary supports projects that assist disadvantaged youths in preparing for technical and professional health careers.
- (b) The Secretary may require partnerships described in § 426.2(b)(1) to provide in-kind contributions from participating schools, institutions, and businesses and to involve health professionals serving as instructors and counselors.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2420a(5))

§ 426.7 What activities does the Secretary fund under the Agriculture Action Centers?

The Secretary supports model Agriculture Action Centers that provide improved access to vocational education programs and that—

- (a) Assist individuals—
- (1) Who are adversely affected by farm and rural economic downturns:
- (2) Who are dislocated from farming; and
- (3) Who are dislocated from agriculturally related businesses and industries that are adversely affected by farm and rural economic downturns;
 - (b) Provide services, including-
- (1) Crisis management counseling and outreach counseling that would include members of the family of the affected individual;
- (2) Evaluation of vocational skills and counseling on enhancement of these skills;
- (3) Assistance in obtaining training in basic, remedial, and literacy skills;
- (4) Assistance in seeking employment and training in employment-seeking skills: and
- (5) Assistance in obtaining training related to operating a business or enterprise:
- (c) Provide for formal and on-the-job training to the extent practicable; and
- (d) Are coordinated with activities and discretionary programs under title III of the Job Training Partnership Act (29 U.S.C. 1651 et seq.).

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2420a(6))

§ 426.8 What regulations apply?

The following regulations apply to the Cooperative Demonstration Program:

- (a) The regulations in this part 426.
- (b) The regulations in 34 CFR part 400.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2420a)

§ 426.9 What definitions apply?

The definitions in 34 CFR 400.4 apply to this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2420a)

Subpart B [Reserved]

Subpart C—How Does the Secretary Make an Award?

§ 426.20 How does the Secretary evaluate an application?

- (a) The Secretary evaluates an application on the basis of the criteria in § 426.21, § 426.22, § 426.23, or § 426.24.
- (b) The Secretary may award up to 100 points, including a reserved 15 points to be distributed in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section, based on the criteria in §426.21, §426.22, §426.23, or §426.24.
- (c) Subject to paragraph (d) of this section, the maximum possible score for each criterion is indicated in parentheses after the heading for each criterion.
- (d) For each competition, as announced in a notice published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, the Secretary may assign the reserved 15 points among the criteria in §426.21, §426.22, §426.23, or §426.24.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 2420a)

§ 426.21 What selection criteria does the Secretary use for the Demonstration Projects?

The Secretary uses the following criteria to evaluate an application for a demonstration project:

- (a) Program factors. (10 points) The Secretary reviews the application to assess the quality of the proposed project, including the extent to which the project will provide—
- (1) Vocational education to meet current and projected occupational needs; and