

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 116–**

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Add at the end of subtitle D of title VII the following new section:

1 **SEC. 746. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN ENTITIES**  
2 **TO PROVIDE OR COORDINATE THE PROVI-**  
3 **SION OF SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES**  
4 **FOR ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAM-**  
5 **ILIES.**

6 (a) DISTRIBUTION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—The  
7 Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall provide financial as-  
8 sistance to eligible entities approved under this section  
9 through the award of grants to such entities to provide  
10 or coordinate the provision of services to eligible individ-  
11 uals and their families to reduce the risk of suicide. The  
12 Secretary shall carry out this section in coordination with  
13 the President’s Roadmap to Empower Veterans and End  
14 the National Tragedy of Suicide Task Force, to the extent  
15 practicable.

16 (b) AWARD OF GRANTS.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall award a  
18 grant to each eligible entity for which the Secretary

1       has approved an application under subsection (e) to  
2       provide or coordinate the provision of suicide preven-  
3       tion services under this section.

4           (2) GRANT AMOUNTS, INTERVALS OF PAYMENT,  
5       AND MATCHING FUNDS.—In accordance with the  
6       services being provided under a grant under this sec-  
7       tion and the duration of those services, the Secretary  
8       may—

9           (A) award up to \$750,000 per grant per  
10       fiscal year;

11          (B) establish intervals of payment for the  
12       administration of the grant; and

13          (C) establish a requirement for the recipi-  
14       ent of the grant to provide matching funds in  
15       a specified percentage.

16       (c) DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS AND PREFERENCE.—

17           (1) DISTRIBUTION.—

18           (A) PRIORITY.—In compliance with sub-  
19       paragraphs (B) and (C), in determining how to  
20       distribute grants under this section, the Sec-  
21       retary may prioritize—

22           (i) rural communities;

23           (ii) Tribal lands;

24           (iii) territories;

25           (iv) medically underserved areas;

1 (v) areas with a high number or per-  
2 centage of minority veterans or women vet-  
3 erans;

4 (vi) areas with a high number or per-  
5 centage of calls to the Veterans Crisis  
6 Line.

7 (B) AREAS WITH NEED.—The Secretary  
8 shall ensure that, to the extent practicable,  
9 grants under this section are distributed—

10 (i) to provide services in areas of the  
11 United States that have experienced high  
12 rates of suicide by eligible individuals, in-  
13 cluding suicide attempts; and

14 (ii) to eligible entities that can assist  
15 eligible individuals at risk of suicide who  
16 are not currently receiving health care fur-  
17 nished by the Department of Veterans Af-  
18 fairs.

19 (C) GEOGRAPHY.—In distributing grants  
20 under subparagraph (B), the Secretary may  
21 provide grants to eligible entities that furnish  
22 services to eligible individuals and their families  
23 in geographically dispersed areas.

1           (2) PREFERENCE.—The Secretary shall give  
2           preference to eligible entities that have demonstrated  
3           the ability to coordinate suicide prevention services.

4           (d) REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEIPT OF GRANTS.—

5           (1) NOTIFICATION THAT SERVICES ARE FROM  
6           DEPARTMENT.—Each entity receiving grants under  
7           this section to provide suicide prevention services to  
8           eligible individuals and their families shall notify the  
9           recipients of such services that such services are  
10          being paid for, in whole or in part, by the Depart-  
11          ment.

12          (2) DEVELOPMENT OF PLAN WITH BENE-  
13          FICIARIES.—Any plan developed with respect to the  
14          provision of suicide prevention services for an eligible  
15          individual or their family shall be developed in con-  
16          sultation with the eligible individual.

17          (3) COORDINATION.—An entity receiving grants  
18          under this section shall—

19                (A) coordinate with the Secretary with re-  
20                spect to the provision of clinical services to eli-  
21                gible individuals in accordance with subsection  
22                (1) or any other provisions of the law regarding  
23                the delivery of health care by the Secretary;

24                (B) inform a veteran who receives assist-  
25                ance under this section of the eligibility of the

1 veteran to enroll in the patient enrollment sys-  
2 tem of the Department of Veterans Affairs es-  
3 tablished and operated under section 1705 of  
4 title 38, United States Code; and

5 (C) if such a veteran wishes to so enroll,  
6 inform the veteran of the point of contact at  
7 the nearest medical center of the Department  
8 who can assist the veteran in such enrollment.

9 (4) MEASUREMENT AND MONITORING.—An en-  
10 tity receiving grants under this section shall submit  
11 to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs a description of  
12 such tools and assessments the entity uses or will  
13 use to determine the effectiveness of the services fur-  
14 nished by the entity, including but not limited to—

15 (A) the effect of the services furnished by  
16 the entity on the financial stability of the eligi-  
17 ble individual;

18 (B) the mental resiliency and mental out-  
19 look of the eligible individual; and

20 (C) the social support of the eligible indi-  
21 vidual.

22 (5) REPORTS.—The Secretary—

23 (A) shall require each entity receiving  
24 grants under this section to submit to the Sec-  
25 retary an annual report that describes the

1 projects carried out with such grants during the  
2 year covered by the report;

3 (B) shall specify to each such entity the  
4 evaluation criteria and data and information, to  
5 be submitted in such report; and

6 (C) may require such entities to submit to  
7 the Secretary such additional reports as the  
8 Secretary considers appropriate.

9 (e) APPLICATION FOR GRANTS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity seeking  
11 grants under this section shall submit to the Sec-  
12 retary an application therefor in such form, in such  
13 manner, and containing such commitments and in-  
14 formation as the Secretary considers necessary to  
15 carry out this section.

16 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—Each applica-  
17 tion submitted by an eligible entity under paragraph  
18 (1) shall contain the following:

19 (A) A description of the suicide prevention  
20 services proposed to be provided by the eligible  
21 entity and the identified need for those services.

22 (B) A detailed plan describing how the eli-  
23 gible entity proposes to coordinate or deliver  
24 suicide prevention services to eligible individ-  
25 uals, including—

1 (i) an identification of the community  
2 partners, if any, with which the eligible en-  
3 tity proposes to work in delivering such  
4 services;

5 (ii) a description of the arrangements  
6 currently in place between the eligible enti-  
7 ty and such partners; and

8 (iii) an identification of how long such  
9 arrangements have been in place.

10 (C) A description of the eligible individuals  
11 and their families proposed to be provided sui-  
12 cide prevention services.

13 (D) Based on information and methods de-  
14 veloped by the Secretary for purposes of this  
15 subsection, an estimate of the number of eligi-  
16 ble individuals at risk of suicide and their fami-  
17 lies proposed to be provided suicide prevention  
18 services, including the percentage of those eligi-  
19 ble individuals who are not currently receiving  
20 care furnished by the Department.

21 (E) Evidence of the experience of the eligi-  
22 ble entity (and the proposed partners of the en-  
23 tity, if any) in providing suicide prevention  
24 services to individuals at risk of suicide, par-

1           ticularly to eligible individuals and their fami-  
2           lies.

3           (F) A description of the managerial and  
4           technological capacity of the eligible entity—

5                 (i) to coordinate the provision of sui-  
6                 cide prevention services with the provision  
7                 of other services;

8                 (ii) to assess on an on-going basis the  
9                 needs of eligible individuals and their fami-  
10                lies for suicide prevention services;

11               (iii) to coordinate the provision of sui-  
12               cide prevention services with the services of  
13               the Department for which the individuals  
14               are eligible;

15               (iv) to tailor suicide prevention serv-  
16               ices to the needs of eligible individuals and  
17               their families;

18               (v) to continuously seek new sources  
19               of assistance to ensure the continuity of  
20               suicide prevention services for eligible indi-  
21               viduals and their families as long as they  
22               are determined to be at risk of suicide; and

23               (vi) to measure the effects on the lives  
24               of eligible individuals and their families

1           who receive such services provided by the  
2           organization.

3           (G) Clearly defined objectives for the provi-  
4           sion of such services.

5           (H) A description and physical address of  
6           the primary location of the eligible entity.

7           (I) A description of the geographic area  
8           and boundaries the eligible entity plans to serve  
9           during the year for which the application ap-  
10          plies.

11          (J) A description of the services the eligi-  
12          ble entity proposes to delivery directly and a de-  
13          scription of any services the eligible entity pro-  
14          poses to deliver through an agreement with a  
15          community partner, if any.

16          (K) The amount of grant funds proposed  
17          to be made available to community partners, if  
18          any, through agreements.

19          (L) A description of how the eligible entity  
20          will assess the effectiveness of the provision of  
21          grants under this section.

22          (M) A description of how the eligible entity  
23          will determine the need of an eligible individual  
24          for longitudinal care.

1 (N) Such additional application criteria as  
2 the Secretary considers appropriate.

3 (f) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall provide  
5 training and technical assistance to eligible entities  
6 in receipt of grants under this section regarding—

7 (A) the data required to be collected and  
8 shared with the Department;

9 (B) the means of data collection and shar-  
10 ing;

11 (C) familiarization with and appropriate  
12 use of any tool to be used to measure the effec-  
13 tiveness of the use of the grants provided; and

14 (D) the requirements for reporting under  
15 subsection (d)(4) on services provided via such  
16 grants.

17 (2) PROVISION OF TRAINING AND TECHNICAL  
18 ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary may provide the train-  
19 ing and technical assistance described in paragraph  
20 (l) directly or through grants or contracts with ap-  
21 propriate public or nonprofit entities.

22 (g) ADMINISTRATION OF GRANT PROGRAM.—

23 (1) SELECTION CRITERIA.—The Secretary, in  
24 consultation with entities specified in paragraph (3),  
25 shall establish criteria for the selection of eligible en-

1       tities that have submitted applications under sub-  
2       section (e).

3           (2)   DEVELOPMENT   OF   MEASURES   AND  
4       METRICS.—The Secretary shall develop, in consulta-  
5       tion with entities specified in paragraph (3), the fol-  
6       lowing:

7           (A) A framework for collecting and sharing  
8       information about entities in receipt of grants  
9       under this section for purposes of improving the  
10      services available for eligible individuals and  
11      their families, set forth by service type, locality,  
12      and eligibility criteria.

13          (B) The measures to be used by each enti-  
14      ty in receipt of grants under this section to de-  
15      termine the effectiveness of the programming  
16      being provided by such entity in improving  
17      mental resiliency and mental outlook of eligible  
18      individuals and their families.

19          (C) Metrics for measuring the effectiveness  
20      of the provision of grants under this section.

21          (3) COORDINATION.—In developing a plan for  
22      the design and implementation of the provision of  
23      grants under this section, including criteria for the  
24      award of grants, the Secretary shall consult with the  
25      following:

1 (A) Veterans service organizations.

2 (B) National organizations representing  
3 potential community partners of eligible entities  
4 in providing supportive services to address the  
5 needs of eligible individuals and their families,  
6 including national organizations that—

7 (i) advocate for the needs of individ-  
8 uals with or at risk of behavioral health  
9 conditions;

10 (ii) represent mayors;

11 (iii) represent unions;

12 (iv) represent first responders; or

13 (v) represent chiefs of police and sher-  
14 iffs.

15 (C) National organizations representing  
16 members of the Armed Forces.

17 (D) Organizations with which the Depart-  
18 ment has a current memoranda of agreement or  
19 understanding related to mental health or sui-  
20 cide prevention.

21 (E) State departments of veterans affairs.

22 (F) National organizations representing  
23 members of the reserve components of the  
24 Armed Forces.

1 (G) National organizations representing  
2 members of the Coast Guard.

3 (H) Vet Centers.

4 (I) Organizations with experience in cre-  
5 ating measurement tools for purposes of deter-  
6 mining programmatic effectiveness.

7 (J) National Alliance on Mental Illness.

8 (K) The Centers for Disease Control and  
9 Prevention, the Substance Abuse and Mental  
10 Health Services Administration, the President's  
11 Roadmap to Empower Veterans and End the  
12 National Tragedy of Suicide Task Force, and  
13 such other organizations as the Secretary con-  
14 siderers appropriate.

15 (4) REPORT ON GRANT CRITERIA.—Not later  
16 than 30 days before notifying eligible entities of the  
17 availability of funding under this section, the Sec-  
18 retary shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
19 Congress a report containing—

20 (A) criteria for the award of a grant under  
21 this section;

22 (B) the tool to be used by the Department  
23 to measure the effectiveness of the use of  
24 grants provided under this section; and

1 (C) a framework for the sharing of infor-  
2 mation about entities in receipt of grants under  
3 this section.

4 (h) INFORMATION ON POTENTIAL ELIGIBLE INDIV-  
5 IDUALS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may make  
7 available to recipients of grants under this section  
8 certain information regarding potential eligible indi-  
9 viduals of services for which such grant is provided.

10 (2) INFORMATION INCLUDED.—The information  
11 made available under paragraph (1) with respect to  
12 potential eligible individuals may include the fol-  
13 lowing:

14 (A) Confirmation of the status of a poten-  
15 tial eligible individual as a veteran.

16 (B) Confirmation of whether a potential el-  
17 igible individual is currently receiving care fur-  
18 nished by the Department or has recently re-  
19 ceived such care or benefits.

20 (i) DURATION.—The authority of the Secretary to  
21 provide grants under this section shall terminate on the  
22 date that is three years after the date on which the first  
23 grant is awarded under this section.

24 (j) REPORTING.—

25 (1) INTERIM REPORT.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18  
2 months after the date on which the first grant  
3 is awarded under this section, the Secretary  
4 shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
5 Congress a report on the provision of grants to  
6 eligible entities under this section.

7 (B) ELEMENTS.—The report submitted  
8 under subparagraph (A) shall include the fol-  
9 lowing:

10 (i) An assessment of the effectiveness  
11 of the grant program under this section.

12 (ii) A list of grant recipients and their  
13 partner organizations, if any, that deliv-  
14 ered services funded by the grant and the  
15 amount of such grant received by each re-  
16 cipient and partner organization.

17 (iii) The number of eligible individuals  
18 supported by each grant recipient, includ-  
19 ing through services provided to family  
20 members disaggregated by—

21 (I) age;

22 (II) gender;

23 (III) whether each such eligible  
24 individual is enrolled in the patient  
25 enrollment system of the Department

1 under section 1705 of title 38, United  
2 States Code;

3 (IV) type of service for which  
4 such eligible individual was referred;  
5 and

6 (V) the percentage of all such re-  
7 ferrals made to the Department.

8 (iv) The number of eligible individuals  
9 supported by grants under this section, in-  
10 cluding through services provided to family  
11 members.

12 (v) The number of eligible individuals  
13 supported by grants under this section, in-  
14 cluding through services provided to family  
15 members, who were not previously receiv-  
16 ing care furnished by the Department,  
17 with specific numbers for the population of  
18 eligible individuals described in subsection  
19 (n)(3)(B).

20 (vi) The number of eligible individuals  
21 whose mental resiliency and mental outlook  
22 received a baseline measurement assess-  
23 ment under this section and the number of  
24 such eligible individuals whose mental re-  
25 siliency and mental outlook will be meas-

1           ured by the Department or a community  
2           partner over a period of time for any im-  
3           provements.

4           (vii) The types of data the Depart-  
5           ment was able to collect and share with  
6           partners, including a characterization of  
7           the benefits of that data.

8           (viii) The number and percentage of  
9           eligible individuals referred to the point of  
10          contact at the medical center of the De-  
11          partment.

12          (ix) A detailed account of how the  
13          grant funds were used, including executive  
14          compensation, overhead costs, and other  
15          indirect costs.

16          (x) A description of any outreach ac-  
17          tivities conducted by the eligible entity  
18          with respect to services provided using the  
19          grant.

20          (xi) The number of individuals who  
21          seek services from the grantee who were  
22          not eligible individuals.

23          (C) The Secretary may require eligible en-  
24          tities receiving grants under this section to pro-  
25          vide such information as the Secretary deter-

1           mines necessary to report to Congress the ele-  
2           ments provided in subparagraph (B).

3           (2) FINAL REPORT.—Not later than three years  
4           after the date on which the first grant is awarded  
5           under this section, and annually thereafter for every  
6           year in which the program is in effect, the Secretary  
7           shall submit to the appropriate committees of Con-  
8           gress—

9                   (A) a follow-up on the interim report sub-  
10           mitted under paragraph (1) containing the ele-  
11           ments set forth in subparagraph (B) of such  
12           paragraph; and

13                   (B) a report on—

14                           (i) the effectiveness of the provision of  
15                           grants under this section, including the ef-  
16                           fectiveness of community partners in con-  
17                           ducting outreach to eligible individuals and  
18                           their families;

19                           (ii) an assessment of the increased ca-  
20                           pacity of the Department to provide serv-  
21                           ices to eligible individuals and their fami-  
22                           lies, set forth by State, as a result of the  
23                           provision of grants under this section;

1 (iii) the feasibility and advisability of  
2 extending or expanding the provision of  
3 grants consistent with this section; and

4 (iv) such other elements as considered  
5 appropriate by the Secretary.

6 (3) THIRD PARTY ASSESSMENT.—

7 (A) STUDY OF GRANT PROGRAM.—Not  
8 later than 180 days after the commencement of  
9 the grant program under this section, the Sec-  
10 retary shall seek to enter into a contract with  
11 an appropriate entity to conduct a study of the  
12 grant program. In conducting such study, the  
13 entity shall—

14 (i) evaluate the effectiveness of the  
15 program in addressing the factors that  
16 contribute to suicide through eligible enti-  
17 ties located in communities; and

18 (ii) compare the results of the pro-  
19 gram with other national programs in de-  
20 livering resources to eligible individuals in  
21 the communities where they live that ad-  
22 dress the factors that contribute to suicide.

23 (B) ASSESSMENT.—

24 (i) IN GENERAL.—The contract under  
25 paragraph (1) shall provide that not later

1           than 24 months after the commencement  
2           of the grant program under this section,  
3           the appropriate entity shall submit to the  
4           Secretary an assessment based on the  
5           study conducted pursuant to such contract.

6           (ii) SUBMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—Upon  
7           receipt of the assessment under subpara-  
8           graph (A), the Secretary shall submit to  
9           the appropriate committees of Congress a  
10          copy of the assessment.

11          (C) APPROPRIATE ENTITY.—An appro-  
12          priate entity described in this paragraph means  
13          a nongovernment entity with experience opti-  
14          mizing and assessing organizations that deliver  
15          services.

16          (k) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
17          authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry  
18          out this section a total of \$174,000,000 for fiscal years  
19          2021 through 2025.

20          (l) PROVISION OF CARE TO ELIGIBLE INDIVID-  
21          UALS.—When the Secretary determines it is clinically ap-  
22          propriate, the Secretary shall furnish to eligible individ-  
23          uals receiving support through grants provided under this  
24          section with an initial mental health assessment and men-  
25          tal health or behavioral health care services authorized

1 under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, that are  
2 required to treat the mental or behavioral health care  
3 needs of the eligible individual, including risk of suicide.

4 (m) AGREEMENTS WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS.—  
5 The eligible entity may use grant funds to enter into an  
6 agreement with a community partner under which the eli-  
7 gible entity may provide funds to a community partner  
8 for the provision of covered services to eligible individuals  
9 and their families.

10 (n) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
12 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
13 gress” means—

14 (A) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs  
15 and the Subcommittee on Military Construc-  
16 tion, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of  
17 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;  
18 and

19 (B) the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs  
20 and the Subcommittee on Military Construc-  
21 tion, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of  
22 the Committee on Appropriations of the House  
23 of Representatives.

24 (2) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term “eligible enti-  
25 ty” means—

1 (A) an incorporated private institution or  
2 foundation—

3 (i) no part of the net earnings of  
4 which incurs to the benefit of any member,  
5 founder, contributor, or individual;

6 (ii) that has a governing board that  
7 would be responsible for the operation of  
8 the suicide prevention services provided  
9 under this section; and

10 (iii) that is approved by the Secretary  
11 as to financial responsibility;

12 (B) a corporation wholly owned and con-  
13 trolled by an organization meeting the require-  
14 ments of clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of subpara-  
15 graph (A);

16 (C) a tribally designated housing entity (as  
17 defined in section 4 of the Native American  
18 Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act  
19 of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4103));

20 (D) a community-based organization that  
21 can effectively network with local civic organiza-  
22 tions, regional health systems, and other set-  
23 tings where eligible individuals and their fami-  
24 lies are likely to have contact; or

25 (E) State or local governments.

1           (3) ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUAL.—The term “eligible  
2           individual” includes a person at risk of suicide who  
3           is—

4                   (A) a veteran as defined in section 101 of  
5           title 38, United States Code;

6                   (B) an individual as described in section  
7           1720(I)(b) of title 38, United States Code;

8                   (C) an individual as described in section  
9           1712A(a)(1)(C)(i)-(iv) of title 38, United States  
10          Code.

11          (4) RISK OF SUICIDE.—

12                   (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “risk of sui-  
13           cide” means exposure to or the existence of any  
14           of the following (to a degree determined by the  
15           Secretary pursuant to regulations):

16                           (i) Health risk factors, including the  
17                           following:

18                                   (I) Mental health challenges.

19                                   (II) Substance abuse.

20                                   (III) Serious or chronic health  
21                                   conditions or pain.

22                                   (IV) Traumatic brain injury.

23                           (ii) Environmental risk factors, in-  
24                           cluding the following:

1 (I) Access to lethal means (such  
2 as drugs, firearms, etc.).

3 (II) Prolonged stress.

4 (III) Stressful life events.

5 (IV) Unemployment.

6 (V) Homelessness.

7 (VI) Recent loss.

8 (VII) Legal or financial chal-  
9 lenges.

10 (iii) Historical risk factors, including  
11 the following:

12 (I) Previous suicide attempts.

13 (II) Family history of suicide.

14 (III) History of abuse, neglect, or  
15 trauma.

16 (B) DEGREE OF RISK.—The Secretary  
17 may, by regulation, establish a process for de-  
18 termining degrees of risk of suicide for use by  
19 grant recipients to focus the delivery of services  
20 using grant funds.

21 (5) SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES.—The  
22 term “suicide prevention services” means services to  
23 address the needs of eligible individuals and their  
24 families and includes the following:

1 (A) Outreach to identify those at risk of  
2 suicide.

3 (B) A baseline mental health assessment  
4 for risk screening and referral to care.

5 (C) Education on suicide risk and preven-  
6 tion to families and communities.

7 (D) Provision of clinical services to treat  
8 immediate need and, if the eligible individual  
9 refuses or is ineligible for referral under sub-  
10 section (l), ongoing services as required. Any  
11 ongoing clinical services provided by the entity  
12 receiving grants shall be at the expense of the  
13 entity.

14 (E) Case management services.

15 (F) Peer support services.

16 (G) Assistance in obtaining any benefits  
17 from the Department that the eligible individ-  
18 uals and their families may be eligible to re-  
19 ceive, including—

20 (i) vocational and rehabilitation coun-  
21 seling;

22 (ii) supportive services for homeless  
23 veterans;

24 (iii) employment and training services;

25 (iv) educational assistance; and

1 (v) health care services.

2 (H) Assistance in obtaining and coordi-  
3 nating the provision of other benefits provided  
4 by the Federal Government, a State or local  
5 government, or an eligible entity.

6 (I) Assistance with emergent needs relat-  
7 ing to—

8 (i) health care services;

9 (ii) daily living services;

10 (iii) personal financial planning;

11 (iv) transportation services;

12 (v) temporary income support serv-  
13 ices;

14 (vi) fiduciary and representative payee  
15 services;

16 (vii) legal services to assist the eligible  
17 individual with issues that may contribute  
18 to the risk of suicide; and

19 (viii) child care (not to exceed \$5,000  
20 per eligible individual's family per fiscal  
21 year).

22 (J) Assistance under this paragraph may  
23 not include direct cash assistance to eligible in-  
24 dividuals or their families.

1           (K) Such other services necessary for im-  
2           proving the resiliency of eligible individuals and  
3           their families as the Secretary considers appro-  
4           priate, which may include—

5                 (i) adaptive sports or in-place rec-  
6                 reational therapy;

7                 (ii) substance use reduction program-  
8                 ming;

9                 (iii) individual, group, or family coun-  
10                seling;

11                (iv) relationship coaching; and

12                (v) financial counseling.

13           (L) Nontraditional and innovative ap-  
14           proaches and treatment practices, as deter-  
15           mined appropriate by the Secretary, in con-  
16           sultation with appropriate entities.

17           (6) VET CENTER.—The term “Vet Center” has  
18           the meaning given that term in section 1712A(h)(1)  
19           of title 38, United States Code.

20           (7) FAMILY.—The term “family” means, with  
21           respect to an eligible individual at risk of suicide,  
22           any of the following:

23                 (A) A parent.

24                 (B) A spouse.

25                 (C) A child.

1 (D) A sibling.

2 (E) A step-family member.

3 (F) An extended family member.

4 (G) Any other individual who lives with the  
5 eligible individual.

6 (8) VETERANS SERVICE ORGANIZATION.—The  
7 term “veterans service organization” means any or-  
8 ganization recognized by the Secretary of Veterans  
9 Affairs for the representation of veterans under sec-  
10 tion 5902 of title 38, United States Code.

